

Outline Note Taking Example

Course: World History A – Unit 4 Lesson 2

Title: World of the Incas

Inca Empire

1. Rise of Incan Empire

- a. South America Peru during 1200s
- b. Ruled 2,500 miles from present day Ecuador to Chile

2. Ruler

- a. First emperor 1438
- b. Emperor known as Sepa Inca
- c. Sepa Inca claimed to be a descendent of the sun god.
- d. Absolute power
- e. Capital – Cuzco – home of the temple of the sun.

3. Factors that united the people

- a. One language
- b. One religion (worshipped sun god)
- c. Major highway system (many still used today)

4. Record Keeping

- a. No writing system
- b. Quipu – bright colored strings with knots to represent numbers and important information.
 - (i) monitoring tax obligations, census records, calendrical information, and military organization.

5. Organized Government

- a. Collected a labor tax to feed population and maintain public works
- b. Laws made by Sepa Inca and passed down to people by tax collectors.
- c. Divided into 4 quarters, each with its own governor.