

Migrations: Polynesian, Bantu, Viking

Part I: The Polynesians

What are the causes and effects of the Polynesian migrations? (skill: causation)

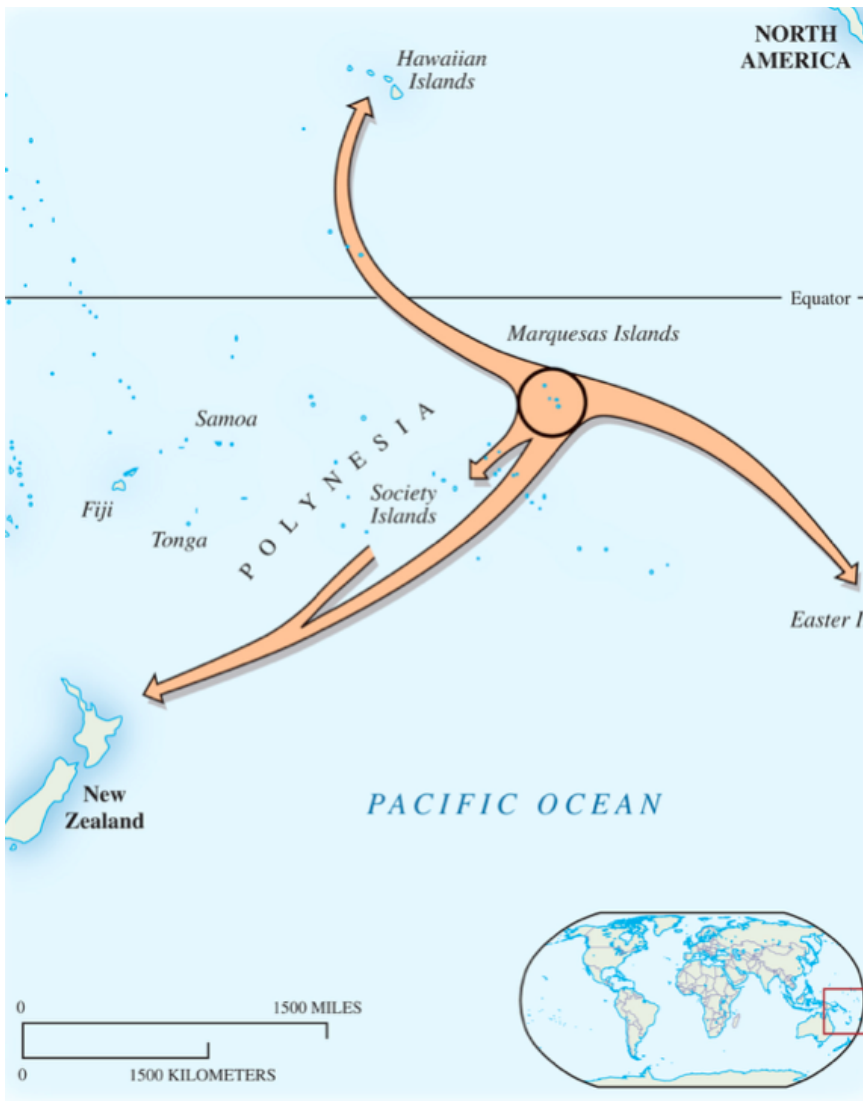
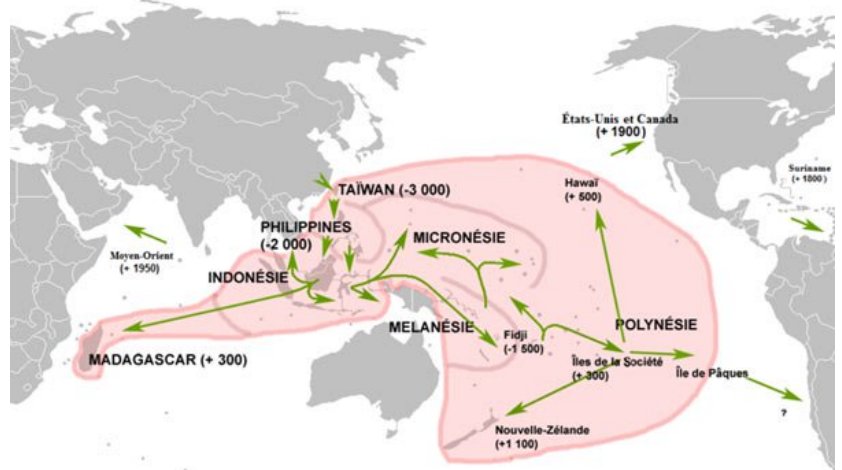
Do Now:

Review the list below, how do the generic causes and effects of migration relate to migration in today's world?

Poor living conditions such as oppression, famine, unemployment, religious persecution, economic reasons, or opportunity of better education.

Causes of Migrations	Generic Examples of Causes of Migrations	Generic Global Effects of Migrations
Environmental Changes	Shift in climate, depletion of natural resources, drought, earthquake	Redistribution of world's population, blending of cultures; new vegetation, animals, disease
Economic Pressures	Increasing population, famine, unemployment	Shifts in population
Political and Religious Persecution	Slave trade, wars, ethnic cleansing, repression	Dislocation and oppression of peoples, spread of ideas and religions
Technological Development	Tools, agriculture, iron smelting, communications, and transportation networks	Development of civilizations and empires

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[Disney and the Polynesian Voyagers. "We Know the Way"](#)

Methods: double hulled canoe

Sailing

Read wind and sky

Stars

Stories passed down (oral tradition)

Used sun for position

As we watch the following videos on the Polynesian Voyagers (Wayfinders) and migrations, take notes on their methods, as well as the causes and effects of the migrations.

Navigators use clouds, stars, sun, currents to guide them too islands

War caused them to move

Overpopulation caused moves

Navigators could identify direction based on swells, suns position, and star compass

Clouds can indicate landmass

Flight patterns of birds, fish, and vegetation gave clues about proximity too island

[TedEd Polynesian Wayfinders](#)

[The History Channel: Polynesian Migrations](#)

Dates	Methods	Causes	Effects
	double hulled canoe	overpopulation	the chicken (Provide protein, sustained large population)
	Sailing	War	
	Read wind and sky	Lack of food	Pig (Destroyed vegetation, but also same as chicken)
	Stars		
	Stories passed down (oral tradition)		Diverse polineasian group
	Used sun for position		
	Used clouds		
	Flight patterns of birds, fish, and vegetation gave clues about proximity too island		

How accurate was Disney's depiction of the Polynesian Voyagers?

In my opinion Disney had a very accurate description of the polynesian voyages because in the song they talked about a variety of methods that the polynesian voyagers used to navigate through the sea, along with the double hulled canoes that were used.

Another Version? (skill focus: argumentation)

<https://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2014/03/140318-polynesian-chickens-pacific-migration-america-science/>

How does the argument made in this national geographic article differ from the history channel documentary? What evidence best supports their argument?

The national geographic article makes differers from the history channels because in the national geographic they provide evidence that disproves the history channel's statement that chickens were brought over to south america by the polynesians.

