

The greater Pacific region, traditionally called Oceania, consists of three cultural areas:

question 1

According to paragraph 1, all of the following are true statements about Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia EXCEPT:

- A Collectively, these regions are traditionally known as Oceania.
- B These islands of Micronesia are small and spread out.
- C Hawaii, Easter Island, and New Zealand mark the boundaries of Polynesia.
- D Melanesia is situated to the north of Micronesia.

question 2

According to paragraph 2, which of the following led some early researchers to believe that the Pacific islands were first colonized by people from Egypt?

- A Egyptians were known to have founded other great civilizations.
- B Sailors from other parts of the world were believed to lack the skills needed to travel long distances.
- C Linguistic, archaeological, and biological data connected the islands to Egypt.
- D Egyptian accounts claimed responsibility for colonizing the Pacific as well as the Americas.

question 3

Which of the following can be inferred from paragraph 2 about early theories of where the Pacific islands were first colonized?

- A They were generally based on solid evidence.
- B They tried to account for the origin of the characteristic features of the languages spoken on the islands.
- C They assumed that the peoples living in Southeast Asia did not have the skills needed to travel long distances.
- D They questioned the ideas of G. Elliot Smith and W. J. Perry.

question 4

All of the following are mentioned in paragraph 3 as required for successful colonization

A knowledge of various Austronesian languages

B a variety of fishing techniques

C navigational skills

D knowledge of plant cultivation

question 5

In paragraph 3, why does the author provide information about the types of crops grown in the region?

A To evaluate the relative importance of agriculture and fishing to early Austronesian people

B To illustrate the effectiveness of archaeological and linguistic methods in discovering the past

C To contrast living conditions on the continent of Asia with living conditions on the Pacific islands

D To demonstrate that people from this region had the skills and resources necessary to colonize the Pacific

question 6

Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted text?

A Some people have argued that the Pacific was settled by traders who became lost while traveling

B The original Polynesian settlers were probably marooned on the islands, but they managed to survive

C Although it seems reasonable to believe that colonization expeditions would set out to explore the Pacific

D The settlement of the Pacific islands was probably intentional and well planned rather than accidental

question 7

According to paragraph 4, which of the following is NOT an explanation for why a group of people might have colonized the Pacific islands?

A As their numbers increased, they needed additional territory.

- B The winds and currents made the islands easy to reach.
- C The political situation at home made emigration desirable.
- D They found exploration challenging and exciting.

question 8

Why does the author mention the views of "Patrick Kirch" ?

- A To present evidence in favor of Heyerdahl' s idea about American Indians reaching C
- B To emphasize the familiarity of Pacific islanders with crops from many different regions
- C To indicate that supposed proof for Heyerdahl' s theory has an alternative explanation
- D To demonstrate that some of the same crops were cultivated in both South America

question 9

Look at the four squares [ ] that indicate where the following sentence could be added:  
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question 10

An introductory sentence for a brief summary of the passage is provided below. Complete the summary by selecting the most important ideas to include.

- A. The first Europeans to reach the area assumed that the islands' original inhabitants
- B. It is now believed that the process of colonization required a great deal of skill, deter
- C. Using linguistic and archaeological evidence, anthropologists have determined that
- D. New evidence suggests that, rather than being isolated, Pacific islanders engaged in
- E. Computer simulations of the winds and currents in the Pacific have shown that reach
- F. Although early colonizers of the islands probably came from agriculture-based socie

