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US HISTORY #1-THE BLACK LEGEND, NATIVE AMERICANS, AND SPANIARD

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New Mexico	native	matrilineal	Spanish	black

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- ☐ 4. _____ usually involved a vibrant spiritual world, with ceremonies geared towards the tribe's lifestyle.
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Answer Key

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