World Regional Geography Activity: Name: Luke Pepin

**Seafaring in Polynesia**

Answer these questions (based on what the movie presents) as you watch the movie Polynesian Discovery from https://vimeo.com/455328911.

What are two major events that were happening around the year 1,000?

1. China Invents gunpowder
2. Leik Erikson becomes the first European to land on North America

Who were the best navigators and voyagers in the world around the year 1,000?

Ancient Polynesians

What are two features of the typical Polynesian sailing vessel?

Double Hulls

Crab Claw Sails

According to the alternative idea of how Polynesia was settled from the east (now discredited), what civilization would have settled Polynesia?

Indica from South America

What domestic animal might Polynesians have brought to South America?

Chickens

What domestic plant might Polynesians have brought back from South America?

Sweet Potatoes

What is the evidence that Chumash people in California might have had contact with Polynesians?

The Chumash have a similar design and name for a Kanoe that the Polynesians have

How long would it have taken for a vessel to get from the Cook Islands to the area around Santa Barbara, CA?

300 Days