

# Aztec Empire

## People and Cultures

1. Turn to page 74 in the Atlas. Read the introduction. Write **T** next to each of the following statements if it is true or **F** if the statement is false.
  - a. The Aztec Empire was one of the largest empires in Middle America. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Religion was very important to the Aztec. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. The Aztec migrated to an island and did not expand after settling there.  
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  - d. The Aztec defeated the Spanish in 1521. \_\_\_\_\_

## ★ Thinking About History

2. Look at picture A and read its caption. Use the information to answer the following questions.
  - a. How would you describe the landscape shown in picture A?  
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  - b. The Spanish attacked the Aztec capital. In what way was the design of the capital an advantage against outside attack?  
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  - c. In what way was the design of the capital a disadvantage against outside attack?  
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## Places, Regions, and Landscapes

3. Use map B, "Aztec Empire," to match each city listed below with its description.
 

a. Xoconochco •	• Southernmost of the Triple Alliance cities
b. Tula •	• Southernmost city in the Empire in 1519
c. Tlacopan •	• Easternmost point of Aztec control
d. Xicalango •	• Aztec capital
e. Tenochtitlan •	• Northernmost major Aztec city in 1440