

Document Analysis #7

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DIRECTIONS: Read and annotate the document below AT LEAST THREE TIMES. When you are done, answer the questions about the document in the spaces provided.

"The Spaniards forced their way into Native settlements, slaughtering everyone they found there, including small children, old men, pregnant women, and even women who had just given birth. They hacked them to pieces, slicing open their bellies with their swords as though they were so many sheep herded into a pen.

They even laid wagers on whether they could manage to slice a man in two at a stroke, or cut an individual's head from his body, or disembowel him with a single blow of their axes. They grabbed suckling infants by the feet and, ripping them from their mothers breasts, dashed them headlong against the rocks." (Pg 15)

"During these eleven years, more than two million souls have perished and, in an area of more than a hundred leagues by a hundred leagues, only two thousand survivors are to be seen, and even this number is shrinking day by day as the survivors succumb to the rigours of a life of slavery." (Pg 56)

[SOURCE] These are quotes from a book titled ***In Defense of the Indians*** written in the year 1521 by Bartolome De las Casas. De las Casas was a priest who witnessed the behavior of Spanish soldiers.

1. Annotate this document 3 or more times using tools from the chart that has been provided.

Annotations and Symbols	
Aha! / Wow! - !	Important - <u>underlined word</u>
Huh? - ?	Connection - →
Agree/Disagree - 😊 / 😞	Word you don't know - ○

2. How do people experience power, privilege, or marginalization? Explain by using complete sentences to describe which of these you notice in the document.
3. Summarize what you think this document is about. Explain using complete sentences.

4. What is this document? (Is it a letter? An article on the internet? Something else?) Who created it, and when was it created? Answer using complete sentences.
5. Is the information provided by this source reliable? Explain your answer.
6. Provide a quote from this document that describes how people experience power, privilege, or marginalization.
7. How does the quote you chose show how people experience power, privilege, or marginalization? Explain your answer.

SLAUGHTERING	Killing many things, or people
HACKED	To chop something into many pieces
HERDED	To force a people or animals to go someplace
WAGERS	A bet
DISEMBOWEL	To cut a stomach open
SUCKLING	Babies who are nursing from their mothers
DASHED	To bang something against another object
PERISHED	To die
SUCCUMB	To die from something