



## MANKIND: THE STORY OF ALL OF US

### EPISODE 8: TREASURE

**THIS WORKSHEET SET INCLUDES, IN ORDER, A 59-QUESTION FILL-IN-THE-BLANK, TRUE OR FALSE, AND SHORT ANSWER WORKSHEET. THE SET ALSO INCLUDES, IN ORDER, AN ANSWER KEY.**

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**Keys Include:** Silver, Trade, Slavery

**Terms to define:** catalyst, commodity, cultivate, encroachment, galleon, helm, iconic, incapacitated, pilgrim, reprisal



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**FRANCIS DRAKE**

0:00

1. In 1579, who is the Englishman who helps launch a new age of piracy and becomes the most successful pirate in history?

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2. Drake's secret partner-in-crime is the English \_\_\_\_\_, Elizabeth I...He's already plundered over \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish ships. The King of \_\_\_\_\_ has put a price on his head, \_\_\_\_\_ dollars today, dead or alive.

3. What is the Spanish ship, the Cacafuego, carrying?

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4. Why can't Drake risk an all out attack?

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5. His plan: a surgical strike from \_\_\_\_\_ quarters, to take out the Spanish galleon's main \_\_\_\_\_. Two \_\_\_\_\_ balls chained together smash through the mast.

6. True or False. The pirate haul from the Cacafuego was enough to pay off England's entire national debt and fund the English government for a year.

**SILVER**

5:30

7. What is the key to the new global economy?

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8. High in the Andes of \_\_\_\_\_ America, a discovery that will launch a new era in the story of mankind: Potosi, a mountain made of \_\_\_\_\_.

9. True or False. In Potosi, silver veins can be up to 12 feet thick.

10. But within \_\_\_\_\_ years, the richest silver ore is mined out, leaving Spanish engineers with a \_\_\_\_\_. The remaining ore is too low grade for the silver to be extracted using \_\_\_\_\_.

11. True or False. Bartolomeu Medina's secret formula of using mercury to extract silver is instantly successful.

12. Finally, a breakthrough. The missing ingredient, a common substance used to tan leather: \_\_\_\_\_. Reacting with mercury, the missing catalyst that

\_\_\_\_\_ the silver from its impurities. The key that turns the mines of \_\_\_\_\_ into the richest source of silver mankind has ever known.

13. How much silver was mined in Potosi each year?

14. What are the Spanish silver coins that become the world's first universal currency called?

15. True or False. The silver Spanish coin was legal tender in the United States until 1857.

16. What does the scroll and pillars of the Spanish royal crest inspire?

17. Spanish fleets ship \_\_\_\_\_ tons out of silver out of the Americas, creating a new Atlantic \_\_\_\_\_.

## TULIP MARKET IN THE NETHERLANDS

12:55

18. What becomes the world's new richest and busiest trading city?

19. A century after the \_\_\_\_\_ conquest of the New World, the riches of the Americas and an explosion of global \_\_\_\_\_, have turned the Netherlands into the \_\_\_\_\_ nation on the planet. The Dutch control over half the world's \_\_\_\_\_. More new millionaires than \_\_\_\_\_ else on earth. The highest income per head in \_\_\_\_\_. A city in love with \_\_\_\_\_.

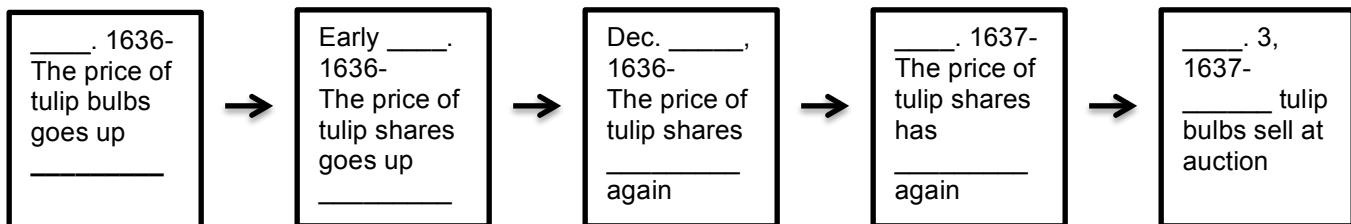
20. True or False. Jan Van Goyen was a successful artist who hated gambling.

21. What exotic luxury imported from Turkey is in demand in Amsterdam?

22. Today, a tulip bulb sells for about \_\_\_\_\_ cents, but in Holland in \_\_\_\_\_, the rarest bulbs are selling for \_\_\_\_\_ times their weight in \_\_\_\_\_.

23. True or False. Amsterdam's merchants give birth to speculation and the Future's Market when they begin to sell the rights to next years tulip harvest and not the bulbs themselves.

24. Fill in the Sequence Map below to illustrate how the price of tulip shares rose from November 1636 to January 1637.



25. True or False. The price of tulips crash and tulips once sold for 5,000 guilders are now worthless.

26. What did Jan Van Goyen do to pay off his tulip investment debt that made him famous?

## PILGRIMS

27. One group of \_\_\_\_\_ radicals will reject this world as corrupt and ungodly, and set on a \_\_\_\_\_ that will transform the future of a continent: \_\_\_\_\_.

28. What does this group call themselves? \_\_\_\_\_

29. Why did this group come to North America? \_\_\_\_\_

30. Within months, the Pilgrims are struggling to \_\_\_\_\_. They land at the start of a bitter New England \_\_\_\_\_. Their crops fail. Malnutrition.

Starvation. \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ men, women, and children make the crossing. \_\_\_\_\_ months later, \_\_\_\_\_ of them are dead.

31. Who does the land the Pilgrims have settled on belong to?

32. True or False. Miles Standish was not a soldier, but a simple Pilgrim.

33. 3,000 miles from home, the first \_\_\_\_\_ the Pilgrims encounter greets them in their own \_\_\_\_\_.

34. Samoset: a Wabenaki \_\_\_\_\_. His English learned from earlier \_\_\_\_\_ to this coast.

35. List three important things about Squanto.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

c. \_\_\_\_\_

36. True or False. Squanto was kidnapped by the Spanish, sold into slavery, won his freedom, made his way to London, learned English, was hired as an interpreter, and eventually earned his passage back home.

37. Who was the governor of the Pilgrims? \_\_\_\_\_

38. True or False. The Pilgrims would have survived without Squanto's help.

39. What does Squanto teach the Pilgrims to use as fertilizer for the sandy soil?

40. What is the key to the Pilgrims survival? \_\_\_\_\_

41. \_\_\_\_\_ % of all Americans today are descended from these \_\_\_\_\_ 50 pioneers.

42. \_\_\_\_\_ pioneers who turned their back on a world devoted to making \_\_\_\_\_, lay the foundations of the \_\_\_\_\_, the greatest trading nation of the future.

**THE SLAVE TRADE****32:20**

43. What commodity changes the destiny of Africa? \_\_\_\_\_
44. Who was Queen Nzinga Mbande's enemy? \_\_\_\_\_
45. In the \_\_\_\_\_ and Caribbean, the Spanish and Portuguese lay out vast new plantations of \_\_\_\_\_.
46. What new commodity arises out of the industrial scale agriculture in the Americas?  
\_\_\_\_\_
47. True or False. Queen Nzinga never sold African captives or prisoners of war to the Portuguese.  
\_\_\_\_\_
48. As the sugar trade \_\_\_\_\_, so does the demand for more African \_\_\_\_\_. Her former trading partners have \_\_\_\_\_ against her. They now want her \_\_\_\_\_ as slaves.  
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49. True or False. Queen Nzinga and her sisters successfully escape from the Portuguese slave traders.  
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50. Over \_\_\_\_\_ centuries, European slave traders will transport \_\_\_\_\_ million Africans to the New World, the majority from Africa.  
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51. 250 years later \_\_\_\_\_ will be abolished. Mankind's taste for \_\_\_\_\_ transforms the face and civilization of \_\_\_\_\_. continents. Today, almost a \_\_\_\_\_ of the population of the Americas can trace their roots back to \_\_\_\_\_.

**TAJ MAHAL****39:00**

52. How many people is Shah Jahan the emperor of in India? \_\_\_\_\_
53. What does 'Shah Jahan' mean?  
\_\_\_\_\_
54. Contributing to Jahan's wealth, a string of trading \_\_\_\_\_ along India's coast, drawing thousands of \_\_\_\_\_ merchants flush with American \_\_\_\_\_.  
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55. 100 \_\_\_\_\_ of silver pours into India each year, generating \_\_\_\_\_ in taxes paid to one man, Shah \_\_\_\_\_.  
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56. With the emperor on campaign, his favorite \_\_\_\_\_ in labor with their \_\_\_\_\_ child. Her name, Mumtaz Mahal, 'the \_\_\_\_\_ of the palace'.  
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57. True or False. Mumtaz Mahal is saved by Shah Jahan.  
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58. What does Shah Jahan commission for his beloved wife?  
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59. Global \_\_\_\_\_ and wealth on a vast new scale creates some of mankind's most iconic \_\_\_\_\_. We'll spend the next 350 years building \_\_\_\_\_ to our economic power and our connected world.  
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