**CALL TO FREEDOM**

**CHAPTER ONE**

**SECTION 1 THE EARLIEST AMERICANS**

***BEFORE YOU READ….***

Answer these questions to see how much you might already know about this topic

TRUE FALSE

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ 1. The first American probably came to North America by boat

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ 2. Most large animals were killed by the Ice Age

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ 3. Early man in North America was a hunter-gatherer

\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ 4. Domestication is a bad thing

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ 5. The Aztecs were very kind people

Do you think you could have survived in Prehistoric North America

***THE FIRST MIGRATIONS TO THE AMERICAS***

**VOCABULARY**

**ARCHEOLOGY: The study of the unwritten past**

**ARTIFACTS: Remains of objects made by humans**

**MIGRATION: A movement of people from one region to another**

***Main idea: How and when did the first people come to America?***

1. When did people first come to North America?

2. What happened that allowed a ”land-bridge” to appear for humans to use to travel to North America?

3. What name is given to this land bridge?

4.  Since historians have no written records, how do they find out about the past?

5.  Why did the Indians cross this land bridge?

6. How did these settlers get their food?

***ADAPTING TO A NEW CLIMATE Main idea: How did the end of the Ice Age help make the rise of civilization in North America possible***

**VOCABULARY**

1. **ENVIRONMENTS: Climates and landscapes that surround living things**

**SOCIETY: A group that shares a culture**

**CULTURE: A way of life**

**DOMESTICATION: Breeding plants or animals for human needs**

**MAIZE: Corn**

1. What impact did the warmer weather following the Ice Age have on the environment?

2.  What happened to the giant animals that existed then?

3. How did people adapt to these changes?

4.  What common traits did people in a society share?

5.   What are some of the first crops people grew (list 3)

***MESO-AMERICA AND SOUTH AMERICA***

***Main idea: What are some of the cultural developments of Mesoamerican and South American cultures?***

1. What major achievements did the Olmec society make? (list 3)

2.  What major achievements did the Mayan society make? (list 3)

3.  How did the Aztec empire grow?

4. How was it possible the Inca empire control large areas?