

# ¡Así se dice!

Level 1

## Capítulo 2

## Skills Practice

### Reading Comprehension

**Directions:** Read the following passage carefully for comprehension. The passage is followed by a number of incomplete statements or questions. Select the completion or answer that is best according to the passage.

**This reading is about indigenous civilizations in Latin America.**

En muchas partes de Latinoamérica hay influencias importantes de las poblaciones indígenas. Antes de la llegada<sup>1</sup> de Cristóbal Colón a las Américas, los habitantes de la América del Norte, de la América Central y de la América del Sur son los indígenas.

Hoy hay descendientes de los famosos aztecas y mayas en México, Guatemala y otras partes de la América Central.

En países como Ecuador, Perú y Bolivia hay muchos descendientes de los incas. Y más al sur en Chile hay descendientes de los araucanos. Pero hay muy pocos.

<sup>1</sup>llegada *arrival*

- 1** When did indigenous civilizations inhabit Latin America?
- a. after the arrival of Christopher Columbus
  - b. before the arrival of Christopher Columbus
  - c. Indigenous populations never inhabited Latin America.
  - d. The article doesn't mention when they inhabited Latin America.

- 2** In the article, **las Américas** refers to...
- a. North America
  - b. Canada and Mexico
  - c. North America, Central America, and South America
  - d. Latin America

- 3** Based on the article, we know that the Aztecs and Mayans lived where?
- a. in Mexico and parts of Central America
  - b. in Peru, Ecuador, and Bolivia
  - c. in Chile
  - d. in all parts of Latin America

- 4** What conclusion can be made based on the following sentences?

**Y más al sur en Chile hay descendientes de los araucanos. Pero hay muy pocos.**

- a. The Araucano population was never very large.
- b. There are not a lot of descendents of the Araucanos left.
- c. No one knows what happened to the Araucanos.
- d. Chile does not have a large population.

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- 5 Why is **Cristóbal Colón** mentioned in the article?
- a. He was a famous Native American.
  - b. He was a European credited with the discovery of America.
  - c. He was a popular activist.
  - d. He was a Spanish author.