**Sample Outline**

Chapter 1: People in Motion

The Atlantic World to 1590

1. The First Americans
	1. Migration, Settlement, and the Rise of Agriculture
		1. Paleo-Indians: Ice-Age people who settled Americas
		2. Bering Strait Land-bridge theory most accepted
		3. Large mammals killed off, competing theories of explanation (5)
		4. Archaic Era – 9,000 yrs ago – humans alter envt
			1. Agriculture by 5,000BCE
	2. The Aztec
		1. Settled modern day Mexico – very powerful
		2. Tenochtitlan – capital
		3. Stratified society – emperor down to slaves
		4. War-like, human sacrifice to gods
	3. Mound Builders and Pueblo Dwellers
		1. Mound-builders –build elaborate burial mounds
			1. Missisippian most complex – modern day IL
		2. Pueblos – adobe buildings
			1. Anasazi – urban society – Southwest – traders
	4. Eastern Woodlands Indian Societies
		1. Less urban, less stratified, hunter-gatherers
		2. Seasonal movement
		3. Religion: supreme god and animism
		4. Matrilineal, but still clear gender roles
		5. “mourning wars” adopt some kill others
		6. Iroquois confederation unites 5 tribes to reduce warfare
	5. American Societies on the Eve of European Conflict
		1. Native peoples are diverse but most believe in magic, no science, struggle
			1. Few domesticated animals, limited mobility
			2. Largely cut off from rest of world, susceptible to disease

