

GRAMMAR AND WORD USE QUESTIONS

1. Discuss the metaphor in the first sentence.
2. Identify the form of *uti* in the phrase *audent iugiter uti* (line 12). Translate it.
3. In the sentence beginning *nam saepe evenit*, we find the indirect statement *exiisse agmen glomeratum ex Indis* used as the object of *evenit*. The more usual format would use a subjunctive clause. Add the word “that” and translate as a clause.
4. In the same sentence find and translate the *cum* concessive clause and the purpose clause.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the only clothing that Columbus sees among the natives?
2. What two things do they lack? How does one of these deficiencies grow from the other?
3. How does Columbus hasten to inform his reader that these people look normal?
4. While Columbus says they lack arms (in the European sense), what weapons do they carry?
5. How do the natives react when the Europeans approach?
6. What does Columbus do when he actually gets close to one?
7. When contact is established, how do the natives treat the newcomers?



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