

Hispanic Americans and Latinos in History

Directions: Use classroom, library and Internet resources to learn about 20 famous Hispanic Americans and Latinos listed below. On the line next to each name, write the letter of the statement that describes that person.

FAMOUS HISPANIC AMERICANS OF THE PAST

PERSON/PEOPLE	WHY FAMOUS?
_____ 1. Conquistadors	a. Discovered the Mississippi River
_____ 2. Juan Ponce de León	b. World-famous musician; he played the cello
_____ 3. Hernando de Soto	c. Led fight for a better life for migrant farm workers
_____ 4. Father Junipero Serra	d. Band leader and actor; was on TV in <i>I Love Lucy</i>
_____ 5. David Glasgow Farragut	e. On Columbus's 2 nd trip; was governor of Puerto Rico
_____ 6. Pablo Casals	f. Baseball player with Pittsburgh Pirates 1955 – 1972
_____ 7. Dennis Chávez	g. First full-term Hispanic U.S. Senator (1935)
_____ 8. Desi Arnaz	h. Civil War Naval hero; led battle to take New Orleans
_____ 9. César Chávez	i. Spanish soldiers that invaded and took lands from Indians
_____ 10. Roberto Clemente	j. founder of the California missions

FAMOUS HISPANIC AMERICANS OF TODAY

PERSON	WHY FAMOUS?
_____ 1. Joan Baez	a. One of the world's best female golfers
_____ 2. Antonia Coello Novello	b. Soccer player
_____ 3. Henry Cisneros	c. Mexican-American mayor of San Antonio, Texas
_____ 4. Katherine Dávalos Ortega	d. Folk singer
_____ 5. Gloria Estefan	e. Singer from Miami
_____ 6. Geraldo Rivera	f. Hispanic Treasurer of the United States
_____ 7. Nancy Lopez	g. Opera singer
_____ 8. José Canseco	h. First Hispanic and first female U.S. Surgeon General
_____ 9. José Carreras	i. Baseball player with the Oakland A's
_____ 10. Pele	j. Talk show host