QUESTIONS FOR CHAPTER ONE

1. In what ways did the major features of Cahokia contradict the views of many Americans in 1848 that all Indians lived in hunting bands?

2. Describe the most widely accepted theory of how the Americas were first occupied. What features of ancient Amerindian life did the “Clovis tradition” and “Pleistocene overkill” illustrate?

3. Describe the ways farming reshaped Amerindian society. What limited the spread of farming? What were the innovations that provided the basis for the rise of Mississippian culture—and Cahokia in particular?
4. Compare the main ecological and cultural features of the Amerindian cultures of:

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**TERMS TO KNOW**

- Beringia
- Paleolithic/Neolithic
- Clovis culture
- Folsom technology
- Archaic period
- Hunter-gatherers
- Desert Culture
- Archaic Woodland Culture
- Hunting Tradition
- Agrarian Tradition
- Neolithic revolutions
- Agricultural revolutions
- Teotihuacán
- ,Maya, Toltec, Aztecs
- Shaman
- Anasazis
- Cahokia
- Maize
- Bow and arrow
- Pueblo peoples, Hopi, Navaho, Apache
- Natchez chiefdoms, Creeks
- Iroquois nations/Confederacy
- Longhouses