**Inca Civil War Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

<https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/year-8/inca-civil-war/>

1. How did the Inca Empire become a superpower?
2. What event set off a chain of events that led to the empire's downfall?
3. How did Huayna Capac's death create a power vacuum?
4. What divided the Inca Empire after Huayna Capac's death?
5. Why was Atahualpa viewed with suspicion by the nobility in Cusco?
6. How did Huáscar alienate local leaders during his rule?
7. What was the final spark for the civil war?
8. What was the outcome of the Battle of Chimborazo?
9. What happened to Huáscar in 1532?
10. How did the civil war leave the Inca Empire vulnerable?
11. What was the significance of Francisco Pizarro's arrival in Peru in 1532?
12. How did the Spanish conquerors capitalize on the discord sown by the civil war?
13. What marked the beginning of the end for the Inca Empire?

**Paragraph Writing**

*What factors* [*led to*](https://www.historyskills.com/historical-knowledge/causes-and-consequences/) *the Inca Civil War and how they contribute to the eventual downfall of the Inca Empire?*