

## Ponce de León: Florida's First Spanish Explorer

Answer the following questions after discussing the article in class. You may reread parts of the article as you answer.

- 1 Explain how Ponce de León discovered Florida. Use details and information from the article to support your answer.

READ	
THINK	
EXPLAIN	

- 2 Read this sentence from the article.  
Since he had discovered this country of lavish landscape and beautiful beaches, he was entitled to name it.  
What does the word *lavish* mean?
- (A) abundant
  - (B) sparse
  - (C) tidy
  - (D) bare
- 3 According to the article, Ponce de León left Puerto Rico in order to
- (F) return to Hispaniola.
  - (G) return to Spain.
  - (H) search for new lands and treasures.
  - (I) search for the Calusa Indians.
- 4 The author describes the Calusa Indians as
- (A) friendly
  - (B) hostile
  - (C) mythical
  - (D) gentle