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17. The pronoun "them" in line 18 refers to

- (A) plants
- (B) people
- (C) relatives
- (D) Europeans

18. It can be inferred from the passage that chili peppers originally came from

- (A) Europe
- (B) Asia
- (C) America
- (D) Africa

19. Where in the passage does the author explain the mistake that Columbus made?

- (A) Lines 7-8
- (B) Line 12
- (C) Lines 15-16
- (D) Lines 17-18

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