

Why were there so many similar cultural traits between the Eastern Hemisphere and the Western Hemisphere before 1492 AD?

1) Diffusion Theory -

• Travellers from the EH, either on purpose or by accident, got to the WH by ocean currents and brought w/ them their culture which they taught to the westerners.

2) Isolation Theory -

- People of the WH came up w/ their own cultural traits on their own. Any similarities to cultures of the EH are strictly a coincidence.

Ocean Currents Map

