How Did America get full of people?

According to archeological record the first “modern” human populations started in Africa. Additionally, according to the “Out of Africa” theory these first modern humans then slowly walked their way out of Africa into the Mediterranean (modern day Greece, Italy, etc). Some people settled here, while others continued walking into Asia. But the question remains how did people get across vast oceans to the American Continent?

Here are several theories to explain how the American continent got populated full of people. For each theory write down a definition/summary, evidence used by archeologists and historians to prove each theory, and then write whether you believe this theory and why or why not.

**Theory 1: Bering Land Bridge**

Summary/Define It:

Evidence:

Do you Believe it? YES or NO

Why?

**Theory 2: Watercraft Migration**

Summary/Define It:

Evidence:

Do you Believe it? YES or NO

Why?

**Prompt: Which Theory (Bering Land Bridge or Watercraft Migration) BEST explains how People got to America?**

**Explain your Answer**

**P-Point of View on the Prompt (thesis statement)**

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**E-Evidence (Names, dates, and facts)**

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**P-Point of View on the Prompt (Conclusion)**

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**S-Check your Spelling and Grammar**