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THE DISCOVERY OF AMERICA

CLICK HERE TO WATCH A VIDEO ABOUT CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS

1. **Listen to the video and fill in the gaps.**

dreamt	ships	Atlantic	thought	monsters	
flat	century	sailors	around	abyss	journey

In the fifteenth _____ people thought the seas were filled with _____ that could swallow _____ whole and sirens that placed _____ under a spell with their songs to make them wreck their ships against the rocks. They _____ the world was _____ and that the seas ended in a great _____. But the sailor Christopher Columbus didn't believe in the flat earth idea or in monsters. He _____ of reaching India by crossing the _____ Ocean. He was convinced that, by going this way, the _____ would be shorter than sailing _____ Africa.

2. **Make a list of at least 10 new words that you have learnt and their meaning. You can look at the dictionary.**

3. **Answer the questions with complete sentences.**

- Did Christopher Columbus believe that the earth was flat?
- Where did he want to arrive?
- Which country supported Columbus journey?

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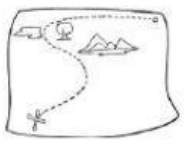
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- Which navigation instrument did he use in the ocean?

a) A compass



b) A world map



c) A sextant



- What happened to the sailors on the ships?

- How many months was Columbus on the ocean?

- How did Columbus name the indigenous people?

- Were the indigenous people dangerous?

- Why was "the new world" called America?

- If Cristopher Columbus had named "the new world", what name do you think it would have?

4. **These past verbs appear in the video. Write their infinitives and meanings.**

INFINITIVE	PAST VERB	MEANING
	thought	
	was/were	
	dreamt	
	passed	
	decided	

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