

Past BJC Questions on Christopher Columbus

1. Christopher Columbus' flag ship was called the
 - a. Nina.
 - b. Pinta.
 - c. Queen Anne's Revenge.
 - d. Santa Maria.
2. The wood from the wreck of the Santa Maria was used to build ...
 - a. Fort Nassau.
 - b. Charles Town.
 - c. La Navidad.
 - d. Port Nelson.
3. Where was the first Spanish colony established?
 - a. Cuba
 - b. Hispaniola
 - c. San Salvador
 - d. Trinidad
4. Columbus' main reason for making his maiden voyage was to...
 - a. Claim land for Spain
 - b. Find a new route to the east
 - c. Prove that the earth was round
 - d. Spread Christianity
5. Why did Columbus leave 39 men at La Navidad?
 - a. Columbus was afraid of mutiny
 - b. The Santa Marie's destruction made adequate accommodation impossible
 - c. These men had become citizens of Hispaniola
 - d. These men were to establish coffee plantations
6. Why did Spain agree to help Columbus in 1492
 - a. King Ferdinand wanted to discover the West Indies
 - b. Queen Isabella had inherited much wealth
 - c. Sailors had proven Columbus' theory
 - d. Spain hoped to reach the East before the Portuguese
7. Which was a demanding factor for Europeans to explore other countries?
 - a. Tourism
 - b. Political
 - c. Technical
 - d. Trade
8. Which country was Christopher Columbus a native of?
 - a. Britain
 - b. Italy
 - c. Spain
 - d. Portugal
9. Which instrument did Columbus use to calculate the speed his ship was travelling?
 - a. Hour glass quadrant
 - b. Log
 - c. Throwing log
10. One of the reasons for Columbus' first exploration was to...
 - a. Expand Spanish territories.
 - b. Gain more knowledge.
 - c. Trade with foreign sailors.
 - d. Unite the Spanish with the Indians.