

# Explorers

Complete:

The Golden Age of Exploration was a period from \_\_\_\_\_ until \_\_\_\_\_. England, France, Spain, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and Italy sent men to find new trade routes.

**Marco Polo** was an \_\_\_\_\_ explorer who traveled to the Far East, to what was known then as Cathay or \_\_\_\_\_.

**Americo Vespucci** is important because he was one of the early explorers of the New World, and also because the continents of North and South America were named in his \_\_\_\_\_. Vespucci travelled with \_\_\_\_\_ in his second and third voyages.

In 1513, **Vasco de Balboa**, a Spanish explorer, led an expedition across Panama and found the \_\_\_\_\_ Ocean.

In 1520-1521, **Magellan** proved through his explorations that the \_\_\_\_\_.

Between 1519 and 1521, **Hernando Cortez** conquered the Aztecs in \_\_\_\_\_.

Between 1523 and 1535, **Francisco Pizarro** conquered \_\_\_\_\_ in South America.

Between 1539 and 1541, **Hernando De Soto** explored the southwest United States and discovered the \_\_\_\_\_ River.

Who is who?

He discovered China.



He proved that the Earth was round.



He gave his name to the New World.



He conquered the Inca.  
He discovered Peru.



He conquered the Aztecs.  
He discovered Mexico.

