

# Explorers

## Christopher Columbus



Christopher Columbus was an \_\_\_\_\_ explorer who lead an expedition in search of a new trade route to \_\_\_\_\_ under the \_\_\_\_\_ Monarchs of Spain.

Columbus thought the best way to reach India was to sail \_\_\_\_\_ from Spain until he reached China. He believed that sailing across the \_\_\_\_\_ Ocean would reach Asia, thus discovering a new trade \_\_\_\_\_.

In \_\_\_\_\_, he sailed across the \_\_\_\_\_ Ocean and landed on the Americas, but he assumed he had reached the Indies.

In \_\_\_\_\_, prior to his first voyage, Columbus negotiated with King \_\_\_\_\_ and Queen \_\_\_\_\_ of Spain, entitling him to 10% of the profits of all the riches he would \_\_\_\_\_. Christopher Columbus set sail for China with 90 men and a fleet of 3 wooden sailing boats called the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_.

On \_\_\_\_\_, 1492, Columbus' fleet came across a small island that he named San Salvador. He then sailed on and discovered Cuba and an island called \_\_\_\_\_ (Dominican Republic and Haiti).

Columbus believed his fleet was in the Indies and so named the Native American people he came across "\_\_\_\_\_".

Christopher Columbus made \_\_\_\_\_ different voyages to America.

He brought new food like:

p\_\_\_\_\_, cocoa, and  
b\_\_\_\_\_.

