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Discover America

Course 1 - Teacher Guide



COURSE 1: EARLY AMERICA

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Key Themes

- Adventure
- Bravery
- Discovery

Core Values

- Faith
- Liberty
- Community
- Life

Learning Objectives

Students will be able to:

- Name which country supported Columbus's journey to the New World.
- Tell something that happened during Christopher Columbus's first voyage.



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Key Terms

- 01 **Voyage** - a long journey
- 02 **Discovery** - gaining knowledge about something that was previously unknown
- 03 **Native** - related to the place where someone or something came from
- 04 **Christopher Columbus** - a European explorer who discovered America

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Introduction

ASK Students

Imagine you wanted to go on a trip.
What would you need for your trip?

(allow students to respond)

TELL Students

Before Christopher Columbus could go exploring, he needed someone to help him pay for the resources he needed for the trip. The King and Queen of Spain agreed to help pay for his voyage.

Let's take a look at his very first trip to the New World.

WATCH

Learn More with Liberty



Scan Me!

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Christopher Columbus: His First Voyage

TELL Students

Christopher Columbus had four total voyages to the New World. His first voyage landed in the Caribbean Islands, south of the United States that we know today. This journey was largely one of discovery, a never before seen part of the globe, and native people who had never encountered Europeans before. On this trip, Columbus was given the title, "Governor of the New World" by the Queen and King of Spain.

Columbus encountered two groups of native people in the Caribbean islands, the Taino, a kind and gentle group, who he called "the best people in the world," and the Caribs, a dangerous tribe on the island. The Caribs were known to attack the Taino often, killing many and taking women as their prisoners. Columbus, a Godly man, befriended the Taino tribe before heading back to Spain.

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Christopher Columbus: His First Voyage

TELL Students

To understand more about Columbus, you must know he lived a life serving God and his Christian faith. Columbus quoted Psalms 65:5 as his inspiration:

the God who is *“The hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest sea.”*

Not only did Columbus befriend the Taino tribe, but in his later voyages he also tried to help them live equally successful lives along with the European settlers. He tried to bring hope through his faith in God to the people in the New World.

REFLECTIONS

How did Columbus' faith help him while he was in the New World facing the native people there?

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Flash Cards



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**CHRISTOPHER
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VOYAGE

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DISCOVERY

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Christopher Columbus

Biography

Directions: Complete the graphic organizer with information that you have learned.

My name is:

I was born on:

Here is a picture of me:

Two facts about me:

- 1.
- 2.

I'm remembered for:

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Assessment

1. How many voyages did Columbus take to the New World?

- a. 1
- b. 4
- c. 2
- d. 6

2. People lived in America before Columbus arrived.

- a. True
- c. False

3. Columbus befriended what tribe in the Caribbean islands?

- a. Carib
- b. Taino

4. Where did Columbus land on his first voyage?

- a. America
- b. Caribbean Islands
- c. Great Britain
- d. Mexico

5. Who helped Columbus pay for his voyage to the New World?

- a. King George and Queen Elizabeth
- b. King Henry and Queen Catherine
- c. King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella
- d. King Carlisle and Queen Arabella

6. Columbus only came to the Americas one time.

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