

Early Exploration of the New World – *Adventure Tales of America*

Directions: As you read through the Early Exploration packet located at [http://mrpondy.weebly.com/uploads/1/3/2/0/13201112/toa\\_exporation.pdf](http://mrpondy.weebly.com/uploads/1/3/2/0/13201112/toa_exporation.pdf) answer the following questions with complete and thorough answers.

1. What areas of the world were still unknown to Europeans in 1492?
2. What was known as the “Sea of Darkness”?
3. What was the impact of Marco Polo’s discoveries in Asia between 1271-1275?
4. On his first expedition, what land mass did Columbus discover? What did he believe he had discovered?
5. Where was Columbus originally from? What country’s flag did he sail under in 1492?
6. Who was Prince Henry the Navigator? What did he found in 1419? Why?
7. How long did it take for Columbus to convince the King and Queen of Spain to fund his voyage?
8. Why did Columbus refer to the native population as “Indians”?
9. What was the main purpose of the Treaty of Tordesillas?
10. What was the impact of Columbus’ expeditions on the native populations?
11. Who was Amerigo Vespucci?
12. Describe the results of the following Spanish explorers expeditions in the New World.
  - a. Balboa
  - b. Ponce De Leon
  - c. Cortez
  - d. Cabeza De Vaca
  - e. Pizarro
  - f. Coronado
  - g. Magellan
13. What were the Three G’s of Spanish Exploration?
14. How were the native population treated by the Spanish explorers?
15. What positive effects did Spanish exploration have on the New World?
16. Describe the discoveries of the following French explorers.
  - a. Jacques Cartier
  - b. Samule De Champlain
  - c. Robert La Salle
17. What were the French goals in exploring the Mississippi River?
18. How did the relationship between the Native Americans and French differ from that of the Spanish?