

All About **COLUMBUS DAY** CLOSE READING PASSAGES

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Exploration Day

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Columbus's Voyage

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traveled across the ocean many times to find a new way to reach Asia. He discovered a whole new land! On October 12, Columbus finally saw land after a long voyage. This event is remembered every year.

1. Who is Columbus Day about?

2. Why did Columbus set sail?

Name: _____

Discovering America

A brave explorer named Christopher Columbus sailed from Spain to discover a new route to Asia. He stumbled upon a whole new land!

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New World Arrival

In 1492, Christopher Columbus set sail on a big ship. He traveled across the ocean for weeks. Instead, they landed on an island in the Caribbean Sea. This was the first time he thought he had reached a new place. This day is called Columbus Day.

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Native Encounter

When Christopher Columbus arrived in the Americas in 1492, he encountered Native peoples who had been living there for thousands of years. The Native peoples had their own languages, cultures, and ways of life. They were surprised to see strangers arriving in large ships from across the ocean. Some Native peoples were friendly and curious about Columbus and his crew, while others were wary and cautious. This first meeting between Columbus and the Native peoples marked the

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Columbus's Voyage

Columbus Day is a special day in America. It celebrates the brave journey of Christopher Columbus, who sailed across the ocean many years ago to find a new way to reach Asia, but instead found a whole new land! On October 12, 1492, Columbus discovered America.

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Native Encounter

When Christopher Columbus arrived in the Americas in 1492, he met Native peoples who had been living there for thousands of years. The Native peoples had their own cultures, and ways of life. They were very different from the strangers arriving in large ships from Europe. Some Native peoples were friendly to Columbus and his crew, while others were not.

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Columbus Day

Columbus Day is a special day in America. It celebrates the explorer Christopher Columbus, who sailed across the ocean to discover a new route to Asia, but he found America instead.

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Exploration Day

Exploration Day is a special celebration that commemorates Columbus Day. It's a time when we remember Christopher Columbus, who was an explorer. He sailed across the ocean from Europe to find new lands. On Exploration Day, we think about his journey and the places he discovered. It's also a time to remember the people who already lived in those places.

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Discovering America

In 1492, the brave explorer named Christopher Columbus sailed from Spain to discover a new route to Asia. Instead, he stumbled upon a whole new world.

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Controversial Legacy

Columbus Day is a holiday celebrated in the United States to honor Christopher Columbus, the explorer who sailed across the ocean in 1492. However, some people believe that Columbus shouldn't be celebrated because his actions in the Americas led to harm for the Indigenous people who were already living there. They think it's important to remember their struggles.

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New World Arrival

In 1492, Christopher Columbus set sail on a big adventure. He and his crew traveled across the ocean to find a new way to Asia. Instead, they landed on an island in what we now call the Caribbean Sea. This was a whole new world! Columbus thought he had reached Asia, but he had actually discovered a new place. This event is celebrated every year on Columbus Day. Who was Christopher Columbus?

Name: _____

Historical Exploration

Columbus Day is a special day when we remember Christopher Columbus, who was a famous explorer. Columbus lived a long time ago, in the 1400s. He sailed across the ocean from Europe to find a new route to Asia. On October 12, 1492, he landed in a place called the Americas. This was a big discovery because many people in Europe didn't know about this land before. Columbus thought he had reached Asia, but he actually found a whole new continent! Columbus Day is celebrated to honor his brave exploration. Why is Columbus Day about?

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