

FAMOUS EXPLORERS

Who were the Famous Explorers?

- Christopher Columbus (1451-1506): Italian explorer
 - He was sent by King Ferdinand & Queen Isabella of Spain.
 - He took the Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Maria as his ships.
 - He came to an island he named San Salvador.



- Named the Pacific Ocean (Pacific means "peaceful")
- He died on the journey, but his crew made the first trip around the world.
- Sir Francis Drake (1540-1596): English explorer
 - Robbed a ship to get lots of silver and other prizes
- Jacques Cartier (1491-1557): French explorer
 - Explored parts of Canada, and named a mountain "Montreal".
- Samuel de Champlain (1567-1635): French explorer
 - Discovered a lake that was over 100 miles long. It was named after him.
- Henry Hudson (1565-1611): English explorer
 - Was trying to find the Northwest Passage
 - Explored a large river going north. It was later named after him.



- Lewis & Clark: U.S. explorers
 - President Jefferson chose them to explore the new land of the Louisiana Purchase.
 - Sacagawea helped them cross the Rocky Mountains to get to the Pacific Ocean.





Cross out the people who are not famous explorers.

Samuel de Champlain Jacques Cartier Christopher Jones

Jesse Owens Christopher Columbus

Arnold Schwarzenegger