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Christopher Columbus Cyperhunt

Directions: How much do you really know about the voyages of Christopher Columbus? Sail off on your expedition across the Web right here! Print this page to write your answers, or use a separate sheet of paper.



Although Christopher Columbus was born in Genoa, a seaport town in Italy, he sailed under the flag of Spain. Columbus visited many of Europe's kings and queens asking for support before

_____ finally agreed to pay for his famed voyage of exploration.

Find the answer at:

<http://www.nmm.ac.uk/site/request/setTemplate:singlecontent/contentTypeA/conWebDoc/contentId/137/navId/00500300f005>



In 1492, Columbus set off West across the Atlantic Ocean in search of a new trade route to the Far East, or Asia, the source of valuable spices, silks, and luxuries. Columbus actually landed on an island in the Bahamas called

_____, which he renamed _____.

Find the answer at:

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/explorers/page/c/columbus.shtml>



Before steam power, ocean travel was slow and difficult. The *Niña*, the *Pinta*, and the *Santa Maria* sailed an average of only _____ miles per day.

Find the answer at:

<http://www1.minn.net/~keithp/ships.htm>



After 34 days at sea, many sailors wanted to turn back. They thought the world was _____ and were afraid of _____.

Columbus convinced them to wait. The next day they saw

_____ and knew land was nearby.

Find the answer at:

http://www.castellobanfi.com/features/story_3.html



When Columbus first came to what he called the New World, people had lived in the Americas for _____ of years.

Find the answer at:

<http://www.ibiblio.org/expo/1492.exhibit/a-America/america.html>



Columbus and the Europeans who followed him brought new technologies, ideas, plants, and animals to the Americas. Name three.

Find the answer at:

<http://www.ibiblio.org/expo/1492.exhibit/e-Eur.claims.Amer/eur.claims.amer.html>