

Christopher Columbus

Christopher Columbus was an explorer.

He was born in 1451, in Italy.

Christopher Columbus' life

Christopher Columbus learned to sail in a wooden ship with sails.

His dream was to go to China.

The king and queen of Spain gave him money to buy ships.

His famous adventures

He set sail from Europe on 3rd August, 1492, with his sailors.

They did not know where they would land.

He discovered new lands, they called it 'The New World'.

They arrived in America in 1492, but Christopher Columbus did not discover America, the Vikings did.

He started regular contact with America and brought over new foods.

He had to leave his damaged ship there with 40 men on board.

When he came back for them, they were dead.

He sailed again in 1502 and ended up in Central America.

He was very ill when he got home and died in 1506.

Interesting facts!

- His first trip at sea was when he was 13 years old.
- The sailors ate stew made from salt, meat and bones.
- The sailors had to sleep on the deck of the ships.



Christopher Columbus Questions

1. When was Christopher Columbus born?

2. What was Christopher's dream?

3. What were the ships he sailed made of?

4. How old was he on his first trip to sea?

5. Where did the sailors sleep?

6. What did they call the new lands?

7. Where did he end up in 1502?
