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The Journey of Columbus



In 1492, Columbus set sail across the _____ Ocean in search of a new route to India. With three ships, the Niña, the _____, and the Santa María, he embarked on a journey that would change the course of _____ . Despite facing vast unknowns, Columbus and his crew believed they could find a quicker _____ to the spices and wealth of the East. After more than two months at _____ , land was finally sighted. What Columbus found was not India, but what we now know as the _____ . This discovery was monumental, as it opened up a new world for exploration and colonization by the European _____ . Columbus himself made several more voyages to the New World, each time exploring different parts of the _____ and the South and Central American coasts. His expeditions laid the groundwork for the subsequent _____ and colonization by Spain, dramatically altering the lives of the indigenous _____ and shaping the modern world. Columbus is a controversial figure today, seen by some as an explorer and by others as a _____ . Nonetheless, his voyages mark the beginning of the Age of Discovery, a _____ of extensive exploration that expanded the geographical knowledge of the European _____ .

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