

TEST – AGE OF EXPLORATION

1. What did Europeans want to buy from Asia? **gold, jewels and silk**
2. What did they use to make food better or tastier? **spices, pepper, cinnamon**
3. Who controlled the land routes to Asia at the end of the Middle Ages? **the Turkish (Ottoman) empire**
4. Which part of Africa did the Portuguese explore? **the western coast**
5. How did Vasco da Gama reach India ? **by sailing around the Cape of Good Hope**
6. Where was Christopher Columbus born? **in Genua, Italy**
7. How did Columbus want to reach the Spice Islands ? **by sailing west across the Atlantic Ocean**
8. What did he call the natives on San Salvador? **Indians**
9. How many times did Columbus travel to the New World ? **he made four journeys**
10. What kind of products did Spain bring back to Europe? **corn and potatoes**
11. What part of the New World did Vasco de Balboa explore ? **Panama**
12. Who defeated the Aztecs ? **Hernando Cortez**
13. What did the Spanish do when they reached the Incan empire? **they took away their gold and riches**
14. Which part of America did the French and English explore? **the northern and northeastern part**
15. Name a few states or cities that are of French origin ? **Montreal, St. Louis, Louisiana, Detroit**
16. Where and when was the first permanent settlement in North America founded? **Jamestown in 1607**
17. Who was the first navigator to explore large parts of the South American coast? **Amerigo Vespucci**
18. Why did Magellan sail for Spain? **the Portuguese did not give him any money**
19. What happened when Magellan got to the southern tip of South America ? **he got into stormy weather and lost two ships**
20. What happened on the Philippines? **Magellan got into a fight with natives and was killed.**