

# Modern European History

## Unit 3 - Exploration

### Basic Research Activity Guidelines

**Highlight the explorer you have been assigned in the list below:**

Amerigo Vespucci	Hernando Cortez	Pedro Alvares Cabral
Bartholomeu Dias	Hernando de Soto	Samuel de Champlain
Bernal Díaz del Castillo	Jacques Cartier	Sieur (Robert) de La Salle
Christopher Columbus	Jacques Marquette	Sir Francis Drake
Ferdinand Magellan	Jeanne Baret	Sir Humphrey Gilbert
Francisco Pizarro	John Cabot	Vasco da Gama
Francisco Vasquez de Coronado	Juan Ponce de Leon	Vasco Nunez de Balboa
Giovanni De Verrazano	Louis Jolliet	
Henry Hudson	Marco Polo	

**Your basic explorer research must follow these format requirements:**

- create a Google Doc on your school Google Doc account
- name it like this: YOUR NAME EXPLORER NAME BASIC RESEARCH
- double-spaced 12 pt. Times New Roman font with 1-inch margins
- correct spelling and grammar in complete sentences (does not need to be in paragraph form)
- uses at least 3 sources in roughly equal proportions (do NOT use Wikipedia as a source)
- footnoted source citations in Chicago Manual of Style format

**Your basic explorer research must contain the following information:**

- date and place of birth and death
- sponsoring country(ies)
- locations and begin/end dates of exploration(s)
- successes and failures of explorations
- effects on the area(s) explored
- other significant life events of the explorer
- at least one “fun fact” separate from the other information

### FAQ

- Q: Am I required to use multiple sources?  
A: You should ALWAYS use multiple sources for any information you research! For this exercise, you must use at least **THREE** different sources, relying on each for a similar amount of information (don't use one source for almost all the information and then use two others for birth/death info). You may use Wikipedia as a starting point, but corroborate the information with at least one other source; then cite THAT source.
- Q: Am I required to cite every source I look at?  
A: You are only required to cite sources you USE; if you write down information from a source it **MUST** be cited. If you read something that leads you to another source but you do not use the information from the initial source it does not need to be cited.
- Q: How do I put footnotes in to my work?  
A: Use the insert → footnote option on GoogleDocs and add the correct citation information in the footnote section at the bottom of the page.