



A LOOK AT ...

## Voyages of Exploration

Learn about early voyages of exploration, what the explorers discovered, and the significance of those discoveries in *Voyages of Exploration*.

### What did you learn?

#### QUESTIONS

1. The name of the Viking who led the first voyage to mainland North America was ...
  - a. Cnut the Great
  - b. Olaf Trygvvason
  - c. Erik the Red
  - d. Leif Eriksson
2. One of Christopher Columbus's ships was named the ...
  - a. Niña
  - b. Mayflower
  - c. Santa Cruz
  - d. Pinocchio
3. One example of a food that Europeans received from the New World was ...
  - a. Honey
  - b. Pasta
  - c. Chocolate
  - d. Pears
4. By the mid-1700's there were ...
  - a. 10 English colonies in North America
  - b. 13 English colonies in North America
  - c. 17 English colonies in North America
  - d. 50 English colonies in North America
5. What nationality was Vitus Bering?
6. What nationality was Henry Hudson?

#### TRUE OR FALSE?

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Some scholars believe that a Chinese treasure junk would have been 10 times the size of a European ship of the early 1400's.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Ptolemy's map included North and South America.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Amerigo Vespucci claimed he had discovered the continent of South America.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Both Spanish and Portuguese were developed from Latin, the language of the Roman Empire.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The colony of Jamestown is in what is now the state of Virginia.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Abel Tasman was the first European to travel along the east coast of Australia.



## ANSWERS

- 1. d. Leif Eriksson.** According to section "The Vikings" on page 9, we know that "Leif Eriksson led what is believed to have been the first voyage to the mainland of North America in about A.D. 1000." So, the correct answer is D.
- 2. a. Niña.** According to section "The World Is Round" on page 19, we know that "Ferdinand and Isabella agreed to sponsor Columbus's voyage. They provided three ships—the *Niña*, the *Pinta*, and the *Santa María*." So, the correct answer is A.
- 3. c. Chocolate.** According to section "Exploration Changes Life in Europe" on page 42, we know that "Chocolate is only one example of a food that the Europeans received from the New World." So, the correct answer is C.
- 4. b. 13 English colonies in North America.** According to section "The North American Colonies" on page 50, we know that "By the mid-1700's, there were 13 English colonies strung along the east coast of North America." So, the correct answer is B.
- According to page 56, Vitus Bering was Danish.
- According to page 39, Henry Hudson was English.

## TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- 1. True.** According to section "Introducing Voyages of Exploration" on page 6, we know that "Some scholars think that a Chinese treasure junk may have been 10 times the size of a European ship of the time." So, the correct answer is True.
- 2. False.** According to section "The Known World" on page 14, we know that "Ptolemy, a Greek scientist who lived around the A.D. 100's, published a map of the world as it was known in his time. The map included Europe, northern Africa, western Asia, and parts of eastern and southern Asia." So, the correct answer is False.
- 3. True.** According to section "Amerigo Vespucci" on page 24, we know that "Vespucci claimed he had led an expedition to the New World in 1497 and discovered the continent of South America." So, the correct answer is True.
- 4. True.** According to section "The Portuguese Settle Brazil" on page 35, we know that "However, without special study, speakers of Spanish and Portuguese cannot understand each other. Both languages developed from Latin, the language of the Roman Empire." So, the correct answer is True.
- 5. True.** According to section "The English Explore the Atlantic Seacoast" on page 45, we know that "The colonists settled at Jamestown in what is now the state of Virginia." So, the correct answer is True.
- 6. False.** According to section "Exploring Australia and New Zealand" on page 54, we know that "In 1770, British naval captain James Cook became the first European to travel along the east coast of Australia." So, the correct answer is False.