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Age of Exploration

Directions: Write the correct answer for each question in the space provided.

1 Why did European traders begin to travel to Asia by sea?

2 Name two tools that improved sailing and explain why they were important.

3 How was Christopher Columbus like an entrepreneur?

4 How were the explorations of Francisco Pizarro and Hernando Cortés similar?
How were they different?

5 What was the Northwest Passage? What did Amerigo Vespucci and Ferdinand Magellan accomplish with their expeditions?

6 Describe the lands the French explored in the New World.

7 Name two Spanish explorers and the lands they explored.

8 How did the trade routes across the Atlantic Ocean link Europe, Africa, and the Americas?

9 Name the geographic areas that each of the following countries settled in the New World: Spain, France, and Portugal.

10 You have read about several countries that explored and claimed lands in the Americas. What changes occurred as a result of this exploration?
