**Use the website** [**http://mrnussbaum.com/explorers/famous-explorers//**](http://mrnussbaum.com/explorers/famous-explorers//) **to answer the questions below**

**Christopher Columbus**

* Where was he from?
* Who was he sailing for? (hired by)
* Where did he land and when?
* How many voyages did he make to the New World?

**Vasco da Gama**

* What country did he sail for?
* When did he first land in India?
* Describe da Gama’s crew.
* Where did he establish trade with?

**Bartholomew Dias**

* What country did he sail for?
* What was he looking to discover?
* What did he discover?
* What year did this happen?

**Juan Ponce de Leon**

* Who did he sail for?
* What island did he conquer and when?
* Why did he explore Florida?
* How did he die?

**Ferdinand Magellan**

* Who did he sail for?
* What does *circumnavigation* mean?
* What happened in the Philippines in 1521?
* How many of his ships and crew actually finished the trip around the world?

**Hernan de Soto**

* Who did he sail for?
* When did he explore North America?
* How did he become rich?
* What areas did he explore? (name all of the states he explored)

**Hernan Cortes**

* Where was he from?
* Why did he come to the Americas?
* What area did he invade?
* What empire did he defeat?

**Giovanni de Verrazano**

* What did he do before working for France?
* What was he searching for in America?
* What mistake did he make on his maps?
* Where did he explore?









