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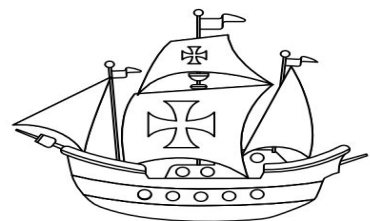
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Christopher Columbus

Christopher Columbus was an explorer from Italy. He wanted to find a new sea route to Asia. In 1492, he sailed across the Atlantic Ocean with three ships named the Nina, the Pinta, and the Santa Maria.

After many weeks at sea, Columbus and his crew reached islands in the Caribbean. He believed he had reached Asia, but he had actually arrived in a different part of the world.

Today, people remember Columbus Day in different ways. Some communities celebrate Columbus's voyage, while others observe Indigenous Peoples' Day to honor the Native people who lived in the Americas long before Columbus arrived.



Questions:

1. Where was Christopher Columbus from?

2. What was he trying to find?

3. How many ships did he sail with?

4. What ocean did he cross?

5. Did Columbus actually reach Asia?
