

**Leif Eriksson: a Viking who explored the east coast of North America.**



**John Cabot: an Italian explorer who explored the east coast of North America for England.**



**Ponce de Leon: The first explorer of Florida. He looked for the fountain of youth.**



**Ferdinand Magellan sailed around the world.**



**Hernando Cortes landed soldiers in Mexico.**



**Christopher Columbus: Italian explorer who sailed to the Americas and claimed them for Spain.**



**Amerigo Vespucci: discovered the continent of South America.**

**Hoei Shin: a Chinese monk who explored the west coast of Mexico.**

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1492

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# Explorers of



Francisco Pizarro:  
Explorer of South  
America.

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Jacques Cartier: French  
explorer of the St. Lawrence  
River and Canadian Maritime  
provinces. Founded the city of  
Montreal, in Quebec.



Giovanni da Verrazano:  
explored the coast of  
North America for  
France.

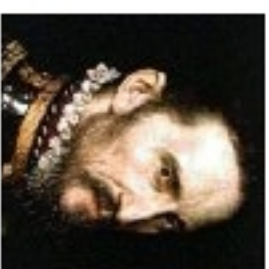
1524

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Hernando De Soto:  
searched the Southeast  
United States for the  
seven fabled cities of  
Cibola.

1539



Francisco Coronado:  
Followed up De Soto's  
search for Cibola.

1540



Martin Frobisher:  
searched for the  
north-west passage in  
the northern waters of  
Canada.

1576



Sir Francis Drake:  
around the world.

1577

Sir V  
expl  
near

1584

# the Americas



**Samuel de Champlain:**  
explored the St. Lawrence and some of the Great Lakes.

**Walter Raleigh:**  
explorer of the coast of North Carolina.

sailed

1603



**Henry Hudson:** English navigator who made four trips of exploration to North America.

1607



**La Salle:** claimed all of the lands drained by the Mississippi River for France.

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1682



**Daniel Boone:**  
discovered the Cumberland Gap and explored the Kentucky Wilderness.

1767



**James Cook:** discovered Hawaiian Islands on his third voyage, in addition to exploring the west coast of North America.

1778

**Northwest Territory:**  
released by Britain to United States for exploration and settlement.

1786



**Alexar**  
traveled through Pacific

1790

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Robert Gray: mapped the mouth of the Columbia River, making the U. S. claim to the Northwest stronger.



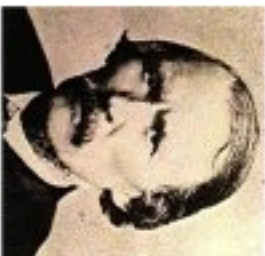
Alexander Mackenzie: led overland from Canada to the Pacific coast.

Lewis and Clark Expedition

Louisiana Purchase: opened up thousands of acres of land to exploration and settlement.



Davy Crockett: explored Tennessee.



Kit Carson: moved west and began to explore. He eventually teamed up with John "Pathfinder" Fremont.



John Fremont: began to explore the American West. He earned the name "Pathfinder."

1792

1803

1804

1805

1826

1838