

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

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

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

1492



John Cabot: ar coast of North A

1497



Amerigo Vespucci:
discovered the continent
of South America.

Italian explorer who explored the east
America for England.

sailed to

1499



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

1513



Ferdinand Magellan:
sailed around the world.



Hernando Cortez: landed
soldiers from Spain in
Mexico.

1519



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**Hernando De Soto
States for the seve**



**Francisco Pizarro:
plorer of South America.**



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



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

1519

1524

1534

1539

Explorers of

: searched the Southeast United in fabled cities of Cibola.



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: sailed around the world.

1577

Sir W
explc
North

1584

the Americas

alter Raleigh:
r of the coast near
Carolina.



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

1603



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

1607



La Salle: claimed all c Mississippi River for I

1682

of the lands drained by the
-rance.

rips



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 Brita States for exploration and settlement.

1786



Alexand
Canada

1790



er Mackenzie: traveled overland through to the Pacific coast.

in to the United



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

1792

1803

1804

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

Lewis and Clark Expedition

ion



Davy Crockett: explored Tennessee.

1805



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

1826



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

1838