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Explorer's Name: Marco Polo

Birth year: 1254

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Birthplace: Venice, Italy



Explorer's Name: Leif Erikson

Birth: The late 10th century

Birthplace: Iceland



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Famous Journey or Exploration: Marco Polo

Famous Journey or Exploration: Leif Erikson

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Famous Journey or Exploration: John Cabot is known for his voyage to North America in 1497, during which he claimed parts of North America for England.

Major Achievement or Discovery: Cabot's voyage is often credited with paving the way for future English exploration and colonization of North America.

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Famous Journey or Exploration: Christopher Columbus is famous for his first voyage to the Americas in 1492, when he reached the Caribbean Islands.

Major Achievement or Discovery: Columbus's journey marked the beginning of European exploration and colonization of the Americas.

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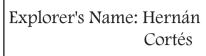
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Explorer's Name: Vasco da Gama

Birth year: Around 1460

Birthplace: Sines, Portugal



Birth year: 1485



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Birthplace: Medellín, Spain

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Famous Journey or Exploration: Magellan's expedition, spanning from 1519 to 1522, is known for being the first to circumnavigate the Earth.

Major Achievements or Discoveries: His journey proved that the Earth is round and greatly expanded European knowledge of the world. Famous Journey or Exploration: Henry Hudson is known for his exploration of North America, particularly the Hudson River and Hudson Bay in the early 17th century.

Major Achievement or Discovery: His explorations laid the foundation for Dutch and English claims in North America, including New York and parts of Canada.