

Introduction to Explorers Rotation

1. Christopher Columbus - students will watch short video about Columbus and fill in a circle map with the things that they learned from the video.
2. Robert La Salle - students will complete the K portion of the KWL. Then they will watch very short video, view a PowerPoint presentation and then complete the W and L portions of the KWL.
3. Alonso Alvarez de Pineda - Students will complete an internet scavenger hunt which is located on the 4th grade favorites page and will write down the answers to 6 questions about this explorer.
4. Francisco Vasquez de Coronado - students will read a short informational sheet on this explorer. Then they will use Google Earth to "explore" some of the areas that this explorer traveled. The list of areas they will explore is included on the handout they will be given.
5. Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca - students will use a website to answer 5 questions about this explorer. The questions are listed on the handout they will be given.
6. Overview of all 5 Explorers - Students will watch the PowerPoint presentation which is a review of all 5 explorers. They will then complete the "My Questions about the Explorers" worksheet to generate questions based on what they have learned.