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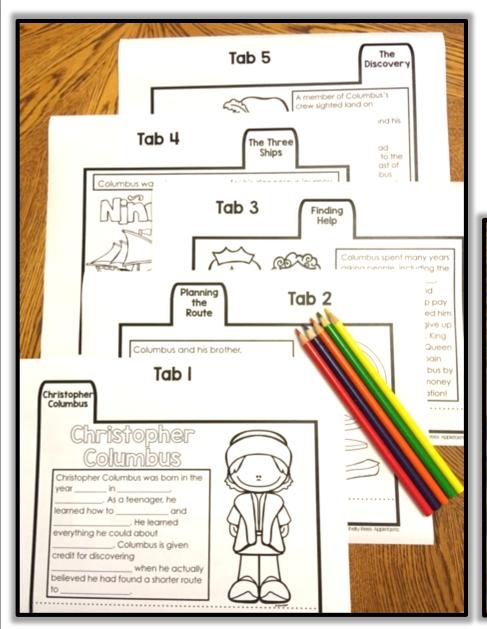
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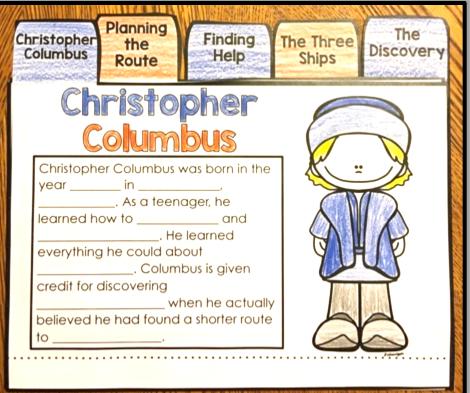
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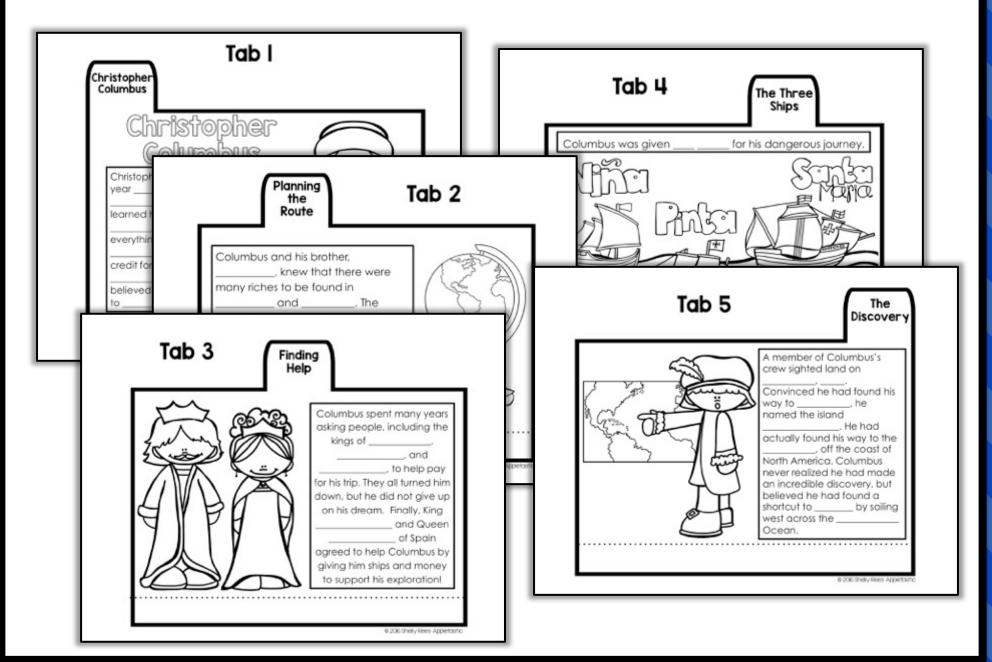
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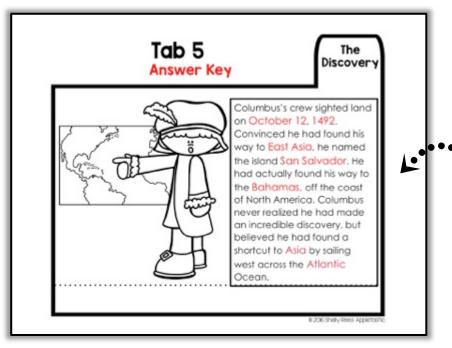


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Informational Passage & Answer Keys



The informational passage includes all the needed information to complete the flip book!

Christopher Columbus - World Explorer

Born in 1451 in Genoa, Italy, Christopher Columbus is the explorer who is often credited for discovering North America. Today, many people argue the rights and wrongs of this man and whether we should be celebrating his accomplishments. It is true, though, that his explorations paved the way for further worldwide voyages and journeys.

Christopher Columbus's explorations began when he was very young. As a teenager, he traveled the seas, learned how to make maps, and how to navigate a ship. These things quickly became his passion and he learned everything he could about exploration.

He and his brother, Bartholomew, knew that there were great riches just waiting to be discovered in China and East Asia. Columbus began to plan a wells, the believed that the East Indies (present day Indonesia and surrounding islands) could be eached by sailing west from Portugal. He was convinced his path would work, not knowing the actual distance or that 2 very large continents, North and South America, stood between him and the East Indies.

Columbus spent years trying to convince someone to pay for his trip. He asked the kings of Portugal, France, and England to provide ships and money for the voyage, but they were not interested. When Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand of Spain agreed to pay for the trip, Columbus was overjoyed.

On August 3, 1492, Christopher set sail westward across the Atlantic Ocean with three ships named the Nina, the Pinta, and the Santa Maria. The trip was difficult, and the crew was afraid of unknown monsters or dangers of the open sea. They grew more restless and worried every day that land was not sighted. To help keep his crew from turning against him, he agreed to turn around and go home if land was not spotted within 2 days.

On October 12, 1492, land was sighted. Columbus named this small island San Salvador. He was convinced he had landed on islands off the coast of East Asia, when actually he had found his way to the Bahamas. He called the native people there "Indians," thinking he was in the Indies.

Columbus returned home and was treated like a hero. He presented gifts, including pineapples, turkeys, and even native people he had captured to the king of Spain. In return the king agreed to fund future explorations. Through the years, Columbus made three more voyages to the Americas. He died thinking that he had discovered a shortcut to Asia across the Atlantic Ocean. He never realized what an incredible discovery he had actually made.

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