



EARLY EXPLORER RESEARCH PROJECT

For this project, you will choose one early European explorer and become an “expert” on them. You will do this by researching important events and information, including how and why they set off on their exploration.

You will then work with your partner to create a Keynote presentation and present it to the class. Make sure to use your time wisely and work efficiently with your partner!

Directions: Each slide must include the following information.

Slide 1: Title (Name of explorer)
Picture
Your name

Slide 2: Title (Background)
Where did the explorer come from?
What years did the explorer live?
Picture

Slide 3: Title (Reason for Exploring)
Why were they exploring?
What were they hoping to find or do?
Picture

Slide 4: Title (Route)
Which way did the explorer travel?
What type of transportation did they use?
Picture of the route

Slide 5: Title (Finding New Land)
Where did the explorer land?
What did the explorer find in the new land? Native Americans? New types of crops?
Picture

Slide 6: Title (Settlement)
What type of settlement did your explorer set up in the land? Give as many details as possible!
What was the explorer's experience? For example, did they have to fight any wars, etc.
Picture

Slide 7: Title (Present Day)
What impact did the explorer have on today?
Picture

Notes:

Slide 2

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Slide 6

Slide 7

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Category	4	3	2	1	Score
Time Management	Student uses their time wisely and finishes on time.	Student uses most of their time wisely and finishes on time.	Student uses some of their time wisely and/or turns in project 1 day late.	Student does not use their time wisely and/or turns in project 2 or more days late.	
Pictures/ Illustrations	Pictures and/or illustrations are clear and relevant to the topic.	Most pictures and/or illustrations are clear and relevant to the topic.	Few of the pictures and/or illustrations are clear and relevant to the topic.	Pictures and/or illustrations are not clear or relevant to the topic.	
Content	All of the required elements are included.	Most of the required elements are included.	Few of the required elements are included.	Most or all of the required elements are missing.	
Visual Appeal	Project has an excellent layout and is easy to read and understand.	Project has a nice design and is easy to read.	Some improvements are needed in the design and/or neatness.	Project layout does not make sense and/or messy design.	
Spelling/ Grammar/ Punctuation	Project does not have any spelling, grammar, or punctuation mistakes.	Project has 1-2 spelling, grammar, or punctuation mistakes.	Project has 3-5 spelling, grammar, or punctuation mistakes.	Project has more than 5 spelling, grammar, or punctuation mistakes.	

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