



Christopher Columbus	Neil Armstrong			
Christopher Columbus was an explorer born in	Neil Armstrong was an astronaut born in 1930			
1451 in Genoa, in Northern Italy.	in the state of Ohio, United States of America.			
Columbus believed the Earth was round and	1967 United States scientists began making			
decided to try and sail west from Europe to	plans for a moon landing and designed a new			
reach Asia.	spacecraft called Apollo.			
August 3rd 1492 three ships sailed west called	Apollo 11 launched in 1969 it took off from			
the Santa Maria, the Nina and the Pinta.	the Kennedy Space Centre in Florida, USA.			
12th October 1492 Columbus found an island	Apollo 11 was the first spacecraft to land on			
and named it San Salvador	the moon.			
He went on four voyages across the Atlantic	21st July 1969 Neil Armstrong was the first			
Ocean.	person to walk on the moon.			
Columbus became tired and ill and died in 1506.	Neil Armstrong died in 2012 at the age of 82.			
He never knew he had found a new continent,	Today, he still inspires modern astronauts.			
North America.				

Christopher Columbus' ships



Neil Armstrong's rocket, Apollo 11



Explorers





Key vocabulary:

Ocean – One of the five very large areas of sea on the Earth's surface.

Explorer – someone who travels to places about which very

little is known, in order to discover what is there.

Sailor – a person who works on a ship or sails boats.

Merchant – a person who buys and sells goods.

Voyage – a long journey on a ship or in a spacecraft

Astronaut – an officer in charge of a flight

Flight commander – a person in charge of a flight

Descend – move downwards

Gravity – the force which causes things to drop to the ground

History Timeline

1492-1506	1605	1666	1805-1881	1820-1910	1837-1901	1927-2008	1955-Present	1969
Christopher Columbus	The Gunpowder Plot	The Great Fire of London	Mary Seacole	Florence Nightingale	Victorian era	William Claxton	Tim Berners-Lee	Neil Armstrong lands on the moon