

**The Legacy of Christopher Columbus**

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1. What commonly believed fact about Christopher Columbus is actually a myth?

- A. He thought the world was flat.
- B. He knew the world was round.
- C. He discovered America.
- D. He was the first to believe the world was round.

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

2. On which voyage did Columbus begin to suspect he had discovered a new continent?

- A. First voyage
- B. Second voyage
- C. Third voyage
- D. Fourth voyage

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

3. What did Columbus primarily use for navigation?

- A. Celestial navigation
- B. Dead reckoning
- C. GPS technology
- D. Maps from previous explorers

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Which of the following was not a result of Columbus's voyages?

- A. Enslavement of thousands of people
- B. Introduction of new foods to Europe
- C. The use of advanced navigational techniques
- D. The discovery of a sea route to India

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

5. What misconception do people have about Columbus and slavery?

- A) He enslaved thousands of natives.
- B) He never engaged in slavery.
- C) He opposed slavery vehemently.
- D) He was the first to introduce slavery to the Americas.

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Which academic discipline does Columbus's legacy primarily belong to?

- A. Chemistry
- B. Geography
- C. History
- D. Literature

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

7. What legal rule concerning slavery was highlighted in Columbus's time?

- A. Slavery was forbidden in Spain.
- B. Only prisoners of war could be enslaved.
- C. Cannibals could be legally enslaved.
- D. All forms of slavery were acceptable.

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Written Response Questions\*\***

8. Discuss the impact of Christopher Columbus's voyages on the perception of the world's geography among Europeans of his time.

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9. Evaluate the historical interpretation of Columbus's actions concerning the native people he encountered. Consider both the 15th-century context and modern perspectives.

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10. Reflect on the historical sources about Columbus's voyages. Why is it important to critically assess these sources, and what challenges do historians face when interpreting them?

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