

New York's European Explorers

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Learning Adventure Essential Questions:

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- Why did Europeans want to make a life-threatening journey across the ocean?
- How did Europeans bring their culture with them when they settled New York?
- How did the needs of Native Americans change after settlers arrived?

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- Why did Europeans set sail on voyages of exploration and discovery from the 1400s through the 1600s?
- How did New York become a part of the geography for the Age of Exploration?
- How did the Native Americans, New York's first people, relate to European explorers and colonists over time? Why?

Guiding questions to help metacognitive modeling and understanding:

- What were the causes and effects of European exploration in New York?
- Why did foreign leaders recruit explorers to risk travel to the unknown?
- Why was New York a valuable resource to those who explored it?
- How did explorers use chance discoveries to progress in their exploration?
- How did European interactions with Native Americans cause loss of life and land?
- What was the contribution of mapping in opening North America to explorers?
- What were the accomplishments and impact of significant explorers?
- What were the similarities and differences in the explorers' goals and achievements?
- How did a growing understanding of technology support exploration?