

Explorer Report

For this assignment, you will be creating a chest full of items representing your explorer. You will be responsible for working on this project at home, although you will have time in class for some of the research. You may use the computer lab, iPad, textbook, library books, and any other resource that will help you find your information.

1. **Explorer Chest:** Use a shoebox and materials at home to build your chest. The chest may be covered in paper, painted, or built from wood. Effort can be shown by having the following: hinges, handles, a lock, and leather straps. No scotch tape should be visible. This may be store bought but may **NOT** be pre-decorated. Students need to decorate the chest themselves.
2. **Map:** Create a scrolled map showing the route your explorer took. It must have a weathered look. The map must also include:
 - color
 - a key
 - the route taken by the explorer
 - a title with the explorer's name
 - a compass rose
 - the entire route (or routes) taken by your explorer starting in Europe to the end of his journey(or journeys).

This is to be drawn by you, not created or printed on the computer.

- 3. Item:** Include an item that represents the reason for the exploration. For example, if your explorer went in search of gold, include something that represents gold such as a painted rock.
- 4. Report:** You will complete a 3-5 paragraph fictional narrative report. You will write the report as if you are the explorer telling us about your life and expedition(s)

1st Paragraph-Introduce yourself including:

- Explorer's birth (date and location)
- Childhood and family details
- Where or how did you study navigation?
- Which voyage or expedition are you most known for?

2nd Paragraph- Body including (this may be broken into 2 paragraphs) :

- Explorations, voyages or travels
- Who financed your voyages?
- The country you sailed for
- How did the world benefit from your explorations?
- The purpose of your expedition
- When and where did you go?
- What did you discover?
- What types of supplies did you and your crew take?
- What significant things happened along the way?

3rd Paragraph:

- How are you remembered today?
- Looking back on your journeys now, is there anything you would change or do differently? What would you change and why?

Final Paragraph-Closing including: Your report needs a 3-5 paragraph fictional narrative. You are writing this as if you are the explorer!! Please follow this sheet as you plan your fictional narrative.

5. **Timeline:** Create a timeline of your explorer's journey on the paper provided. Include at least six important dates.

6. **Portrait of Explorer:** This needs to be colored (natural, realistic use of colors) using colored pencils. Be very neat and color in the same direction

7. **Dress Up Like Your Explorer:** This year we will have an explorer report fair. If you are able, please dress up like your explorer for this event. Date for this event will be announced soon!