

Christopher Columbus sailed west from Spain...

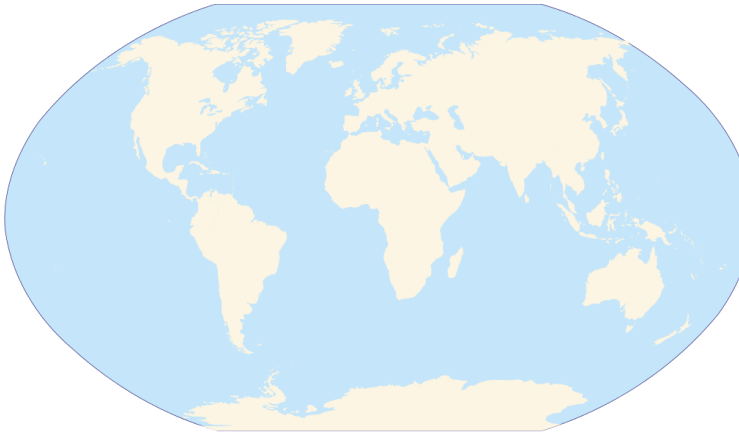
# meanwhile, elsewhere...

Portuguese explorer Vasco da Gama sailed south and then east.



Vasco da Gama

**KEY INFORMATION:** Vasco da Gama was a Portuguese explorer who was born around the year \_\_\_\_\_. He was the first European to reach \_\_\_\_\_ by boat, by travelling around the southern tip of \_\_\_\_\_.



Mark on the map the route taken by Vasco da Gama from Portugal to India.

## Da Gama's first expedition to India, 1497

When did Vasco da Gama set sail for India?

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Which resources did he hope to get hold of in India?

\_\_\_\_\_

How was he greeted in Portugal when he returned?

\_\_\_\_\_

Why?

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How many miles had he covered on his voyage? \_\_\_\_\_

Out of his 170 crew members, how many survived the journey? \_\_\_\_\_

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oFIyuYPP6PE>

<https://www.biographyonline.net/people/vasco-de-gama-biography.html> - extension

## Da Gama's later expeditions to India

What technology did da Gama use to force his way into the harbour at Calicut in India to allow his ships to trade in 1502?

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King John of Portugal made Vasco da Gama the **viceroy** of the Portuguese trading posts in India (although the Portuguese only took over a tiny area of India, called Goa). What does **viceroy** mean?

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**EXTENSION** – Find an example of the way Vasco da Gama interacted with people in India.

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What effects did da Gama's expeditions have on his home country of Portugal?

1.

2.

Try to think of two **similarities** and two **differences** between what the Spanish did in the Americas (that you have learned about in lessons) and what the Portuguese did in India.

**Similarities: 1.**

**2.**

**Differences 1.**

**2.**

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