

## EUROPEAN EXPLORATION AND SETTLEMENT

### What do you know about European Exploration and Settlement?

European exploration in North America began with **Christopher Columbus'** discovery of what he thought was Asia. Since that time, there have been many attempts by Europeans to settle in America, some successful, others not.



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American. Other settlements can be found in central America, most famously the conquest of early American civilizations such as the **Aztecs**.



Along with people, the Europeans brought disease and technologies that had an impact on the native people of the areas in which they settled. A great number of **Native Americans** were either killed by disease or pushed out of their native lands in the push to explore the new continent by many countries and groups. This treatment of native peoples has been the subject of controversy for hundreds of years.



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