

Name

Date

Why Am I Famous?

A. Hernando DeSoto	B. Marco Polo	C. Jacques Cartier
D. Ibn Batutta	E. Sieur de LaSalle	F. Bartolomeu Dias
G. Vasco de Balboa	H. Matt Henson	I. Francisco de Coronado
J. Francisco Pizarro	K. Ponce de Leon	L. John Cabot
M. Samuel de Champlain	N. James Cook	O. Leif Erikson
P. Eric the Red	Q. Marquette and Joliet	R. Henry Hudson
S. Sir Frances Drake	T, Hernando Cortes	U. Ferdinand Magellan
V. Giovanni da Verrazano	W, Vasco de Gama	X. Amerigo Vespucci

Use your text, your notes, and the [Explorer Website](#) to match the following with the lettered answers above.

Answer **Match the names (letter) with the correct "why I am famous" statement**

1. Named Louisiana after King Louis XIV; explored Mississippi River.
2. Conquered Florida and explored Cuba; discovered Mississippi River
3. 1st spotted Cape of Good Hope; found safe waterway to India
4. Discovered Florida; tried to find Fountain of Youth
5. Bridge name after him; sailed east coast of North America
6. Dealings with Kubla Kahn; wrote books about Chinese customs and his journeys to China
7. 1st white man in Newfoundland other than the Vikings
8. Found St. Lawrence Seaway--"Great River of Canada"
9. Discovered Quebec; made friends with the Indians
10. Looked for 7 Cities of Gold; discovered Grand Canyon and Colorado River
11. Conquered Incas; City of Tumes
12. Discovered Pacific Ocean
13. Priest and fur traders. Hoped to find the end of the Mississippi River

14. Viking who explored *Greenland*
15. Spanish conquistador who conquered the *Aztecs*
16. Traveled 75,000 miles over land in *Africa*
17. African-American who explored the *Arctic*
18. Go to *New York* to find many waterways named after me
19. Did not discover the *Pacific Ocean* but gave it the name "Pacific" because it was so peaceful and calm
20. Viking who led 1st European expedition to mainland *North America*
21. 1st Englishman to travel around the world
22. Explored *India* and the east *African* coast
23. Explored the entire southern *pacific Ocean*; was asked to travel to *Tahiti* to watch *Venus* pass between the *Earth* and the *Sun*
24. Without me, who knows what *America* would have been named