


Family Newsletter for Unit 2

Exploration and Settlement

The Big Idea

Where would you like to explore?

-  **Content Standard 5.0** History involves people, events, and issues. Students will evaluate evidence to develop comparative and causal analyses, and to interpret primary sources. They will construct sound historical arguments and perspectives on which informed decisions in contemporary life can be based.

Learn About It

In this unit, your child will learn:

- how trade and exploration led to the conquest and settlement of the Americas;
- how the first settlements were founded.

Here is a way you can help your child learn:

Family Activity

A list for a journey Columbus sailed from Europe to what he thought was Asia. Journeys across the oceans often took many months and were difficult. Food became scarce and people often got sick. Plan a long trip. How many days would your trip last? Make a list of what you would bring and why.



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