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8th Grade

 Early Explorer Project



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**Directions**: You are going to choose **one** explorer from the list below and follow each step of the project.

**Ferdinand Magellan Juan Ponce de Leon Lewis and Clark**

**Henry Hudson Jacques Cartier Christopher Columbus**

**Hernando de Soto Cavelier de La Salle De Charlevoix**

**Amerigo Vespucci**

**1.** Create an informative essay (5 paragraphs) that addresses the following important points of the history of this explorer. You are to use at least THREE different types of resources ONE such resource must be from a book. This essay needs to include a bibliography.

* Follow the Format Outline for the organization of your essay.
* 3 points extra credit will be earned if Essay Format Outline is turned in with your completed project. Outline must have a great amount of informational detail for each question.

**2.** Design a timeline that includes:

* Explorer name and picture
* Start and end date of the expedition locations
* Information about each stop/city/country on the trip (2-3 sentences for each)
* Must have a minimum of 5 expedition locations
* Timeline must be on ONE single page/poster
* Can be made by hand or created using the computer