

## Motives for Exploration

### VIKINGS

- 1000 AD
  - Scandinavian fishermen
  - Leif Eriksson - First European discoverer of North America
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### European nations that explored:

### PORTUGAL

- Prince Henry "the Navigator" ran a school for sailors.
- Searched for an all water route to Asia around Africa  
Sailed EAST
- Wanted to expand trade
- (Claimed parts of South America - Brazil)

### SPAIN

- The "3 G's - gold, glory, God
- After Columbus, they sailed WEST to search for Asia.
- (Claimed Western North America - AZ, NM, TX, Mexico,  
Southeastern North America - Florida, Central America and South  
America)

### FRANCE

- Settlers - fur trade, fishermen
- Searched for a northwest passage through North America
- (Claimed Southern North America - Louisiana,  
Northern North America - Canada called New France)

## ENGLAND

- Settlements
- Searched for a northwest passage through North America
- (Claimed Eastern North America - Maine to Georgia)

## NETHERLANDS/HOLLAND

- Wanted part of the fur trade.
- Searched for a northwest passage through North America
- (Claimed mouth of Hudson River - New York called New Netherlands and New Amsterdam)