Explorers Poetry Book

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**Explorers Here, Explorers There**

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Explorers here, explorers there

Explorers, explorers everywhere!

European explorers sailing boldly

Motivated explorers discovering fearlessly

Successful explorers conquering proudly

Curious explorers trading cautiously

Explorers from Europe,

Explorers across the Atlantic Ocean,

Explorers in North America,

Explorers throughout the New World.

Explorers here, explorers there

Explorers, explorers everywhere!

Explorers! Explorers! Explorers!

Oh Columbus!

(Sung to the tune of “Oh My Darling”)

Oh Columbus, Oh Columbus

Landed in San Salvador

He thought he found a western

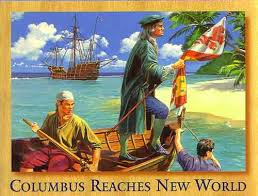
Sea route to Asia’s Door.

Oh Columbus, Oh Columbus

Sailed from the country Spain

Discovering the New World

Was a blessing not a pain.



Columbus Day Song   
(sung to the tune of "The Farmer in the Dell")  
  
In 1492,  
In 1492,  
Columbus sailed across the sea,  
In 1492.  
  
For 70 days he sailed,  
For 70 days he sailed,  
Columbus sailed across the sea,  
For 70 days he sailed.  
  
He came to a new land,  
He came to a new land,  
Columbus sailed across the sea,  
And came to a new land.  
  
Exploring he did go,  
Exploring he did go,  
Columbus sailed across the sea,  
Exploring he did go.  
  
He sailed back home to Spain,  
He sailed back home to Spain,

Columbus sailed across the sea,  
Then sailed back home to Spain.

Juan Ponce de Leon 

(Sung to the tune of “Oh My Darling”)

Ponce de Leon, Ponce de Leon

Explorer from Spain

He said with Christopher Columbus

Then he sailed back home again.

Fought he Indians, fought the Indians

Then he went to look for gold.

Founded Puerto Rico; was the governor

That’s where he did grow old.

Conquered land, conquered land

He was acting like a sleuth

Claimed land for the country Spain

Searched for the Fountain of Youth

Sailed to Florida, sailed to Florida

Looking for new land,

For Spain, St. Augustine

For King Ferdinand

Cartier

(Sung to the tune of “Are You Sleeping”)

Cartier, Cartier

Came from France, came from France

Wanted to make colonies

In Canada, in Canada



Christopher Newport

(Sung to the tune of “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star”)

Newport, Newport landed in Jamestown

Made four more voyages to where he had found

Went to the fall line of the James River

Sailed from England for riches to discover

Newport, Newport wanted to find

A way to Asia in a shortened time



**Leif Eriksson Bugaloo**

by Anna Harvin 2016

I’m a Viking explorer and here to say,

I love to explore the world every day.

Sometimes I look for passages; sometimes I look for gold.

But most of all I love to be adventurous and bold!

**Expeditions, voyages, discoveries, too,**

**Doing the Exploration Bugaloo!**

They call me “Leif the Lucky”, yes it’s true

I sailed the icy North Atlantic, too.

Me and my men were traders from Norway

And you best believe we did things my way.

**Expeditions, voyages, discoveries, too,**

**Doing the Exploration Bugaloo!**

I set up settlements in Greenland

Such a cold and frigid island

We were the first to set foot on North American soil

On that wooded land we did toil.

**Expeditions, voyages, discoveries, too,**

**Doing the Exploration Bugaloo!**

Me and my men tried to set up camp where we’d been.

But there were just too many American Indians

Ruins of cabins found later do proclaim

Vikings were in Canada, so don’t forget my name!

**Expeditions, voyages, discoveries, too,**

**Doing the Exploration Bugaloo!**