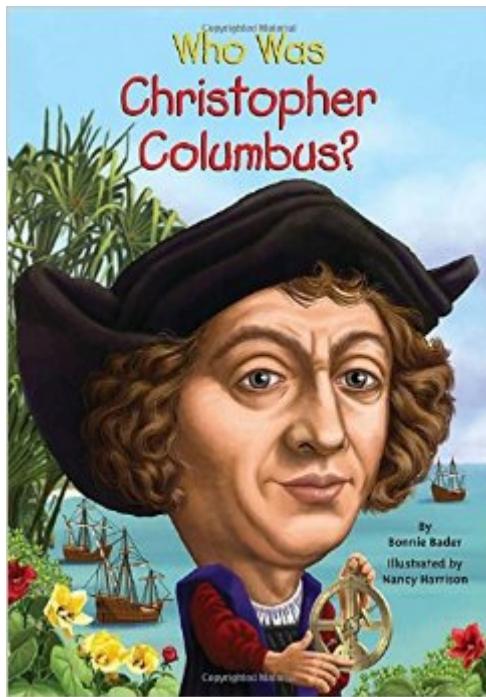


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# Who Was Christopher Columbus?



## Synopsis

Learn all about Christopher Columbus' early life at sea, which led him to seek fortune by sailing west in hopes of creating new trade routes with the Indies. Kids will read about why he called himself the "Great Admirald of the Seas" and learn of all his struggles to find finacial support for his voyage.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

## Customer Reviews

We used this book to do a Columbus Day lesson. It was easy to read, great length, and covered a lot of information. We went on to make popsicle stick boats (Nina, Pinta, Santa Maria) to futher enhance our Columbus Day experience and lesson. I love the Who Was? series of books for our homeschool lessons!

Yet another installment in the well-known Who Was series, this time "biographitizing" the life of an acclaimed Spanish explorer who discovered the Carribean Islands. Excellently executed, the only reason I give this book a 3/5 is because the book leaves out crucial details. Just about every biography aimed at kids leaves out the bad aspects of the given person(s). Take, say, Andrew Jackson. Wasn't he great? He got us Americans more land! But how did he do it? Oh, only by

driving Native Americans out! Same thing in Christopher Columbus. He took hundreds of "Indians" into custody and made them dig for gold! In conclusion, one of the most common mistakes authors make is telling only half of the story. So there you have it!

Why is it so hard for authors like this to include the fact that Columbus was responsible for the death of millions of Natives, in the name of greed? Is this the same kind of book the author would write for Who Was Hitler? Values and times have changed drastically since Columbus arrived in (not discovered) the Americas, isn't it time we step up and teach our children the truth?

Perfect read aloud with good black and white pictures. Factual and appropriate for 3rd-4th graders. Columbus strengths and weaknesses were portrayed better than other books. I did supplement a bit but overall it was a helpful class reading on the man who missed his goal. Rather sad actually. A lot of good guided discussion came from this book.

The book has very good facts and is easy to read. Liked how all of the important events were described in chronological order.

This was a good book, but I think there were too many short and non-headed sentences. I still think you should get this amazing biography!

My daughter really enjoyed learning about Christopher Columbus. The book makes it easy to understand. We really like the biographies.

Great.

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