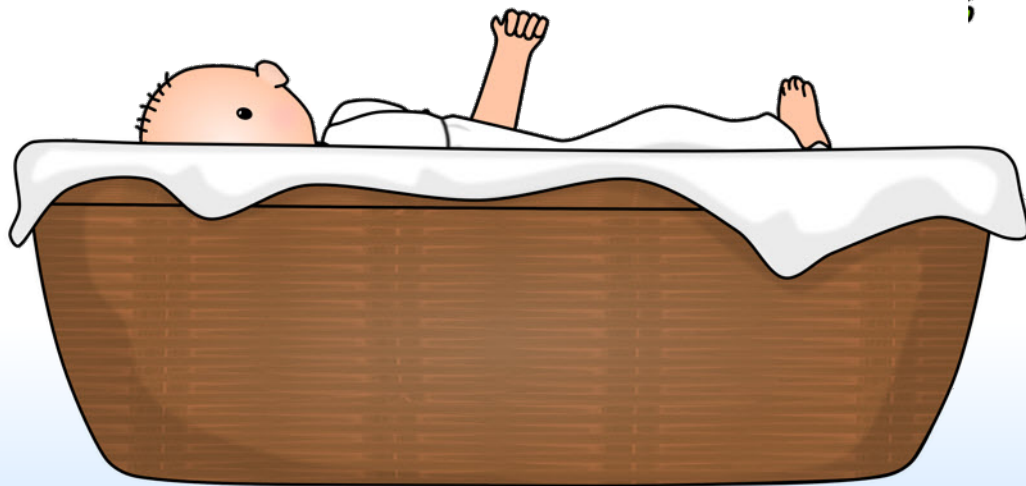




# The life of Christopher Columbus

# 1451

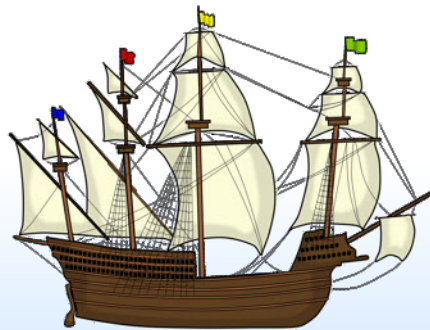
Christopher Columbus is born in Genoa, Italy.



# 1476

Christopher works as a sailor.

On one occasion his ship is sunk by pirates near Portugal.



**Portugal**



# 1477

Christopher works as a cartographer with his brother in Lisbon, Portugal.



1479

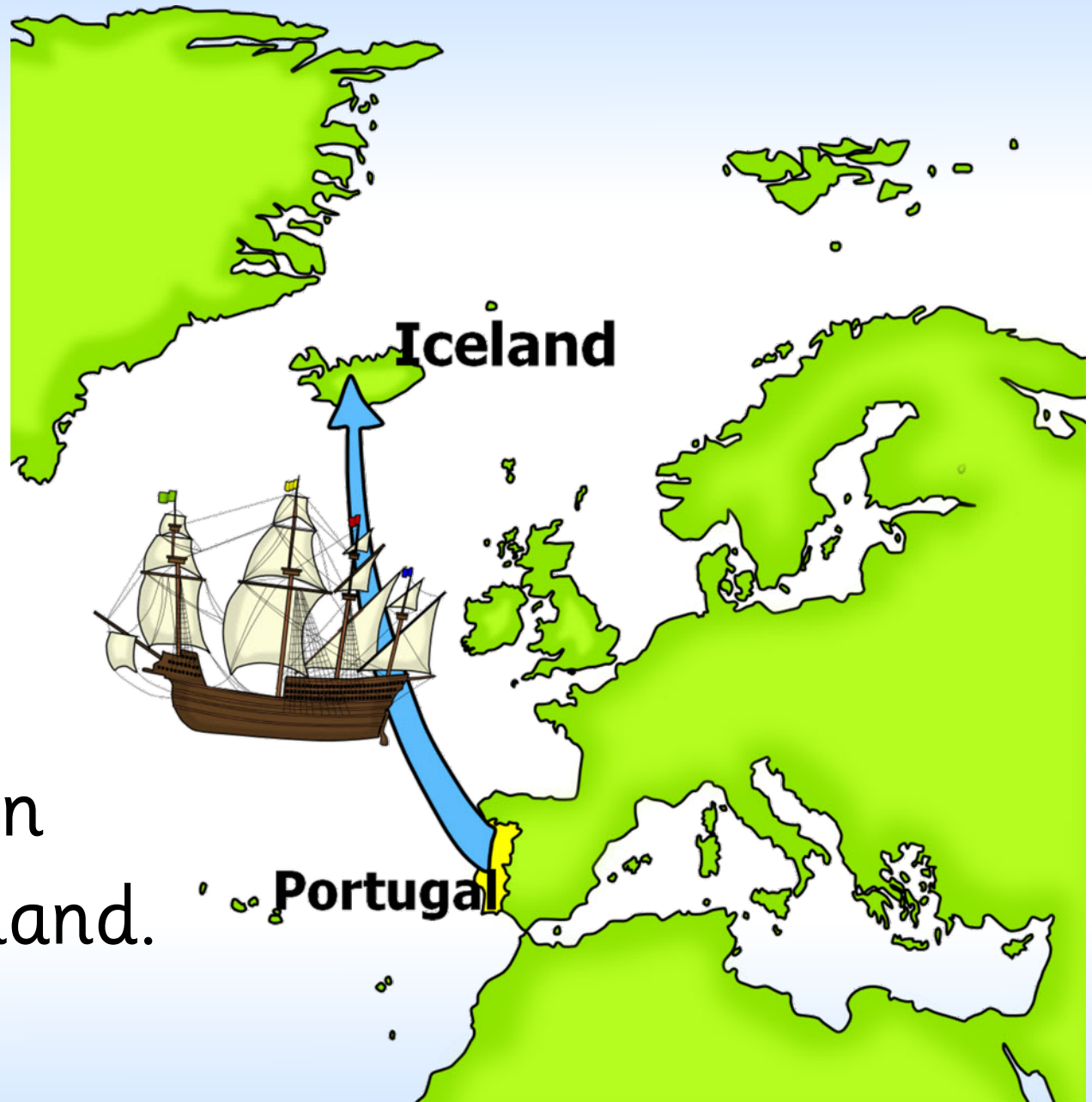


Christopher Columbus  
marries a noblewoman called  
Felipa Perestrello Moniz.

# 1480

Columbus made his first long voyages.

He sailed between Portugal and Iceland.

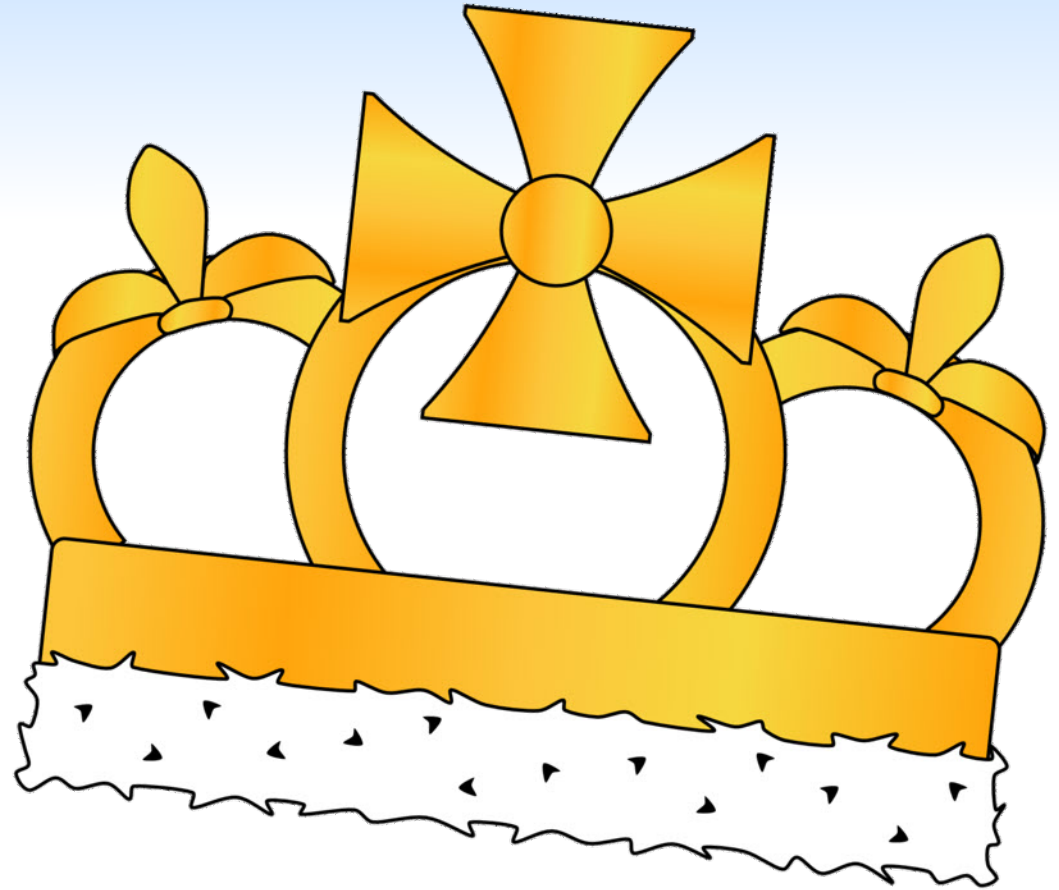
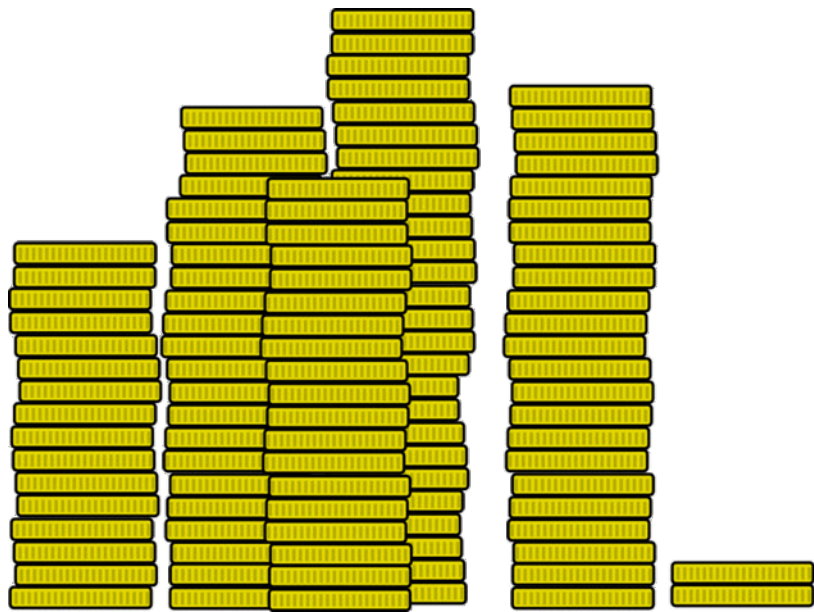


# 1485

Christopher moves  
to Spain.



1491

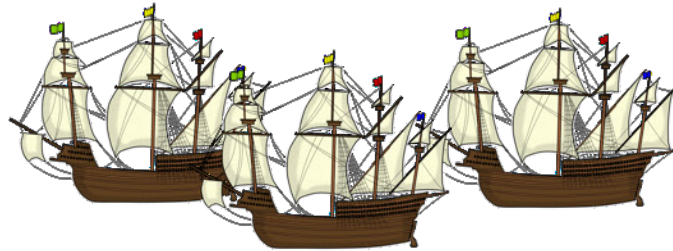


The king and queen of Spain agree to give Columbus money for his biggest voyage yet.



# 1492 August

In August Columbus sets sail with three ships; the Pinta, the Niña and the Santa Maria.



Christopher sails on the Santa Maria.



# 1492 October



Christopher and his crew make landfall. They think they have reached Asia, but they are wrong. They have reached America.

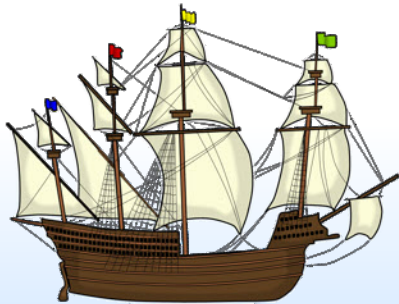
# 1492 December



The Santa Maria sinks off the coast of Hispaniola but Columbus creates the first Spanish settlement in the New World.

# 1493 March

Columbus sails along the coasts of the Bahamas and then returns home to Spain.



# 1493 September



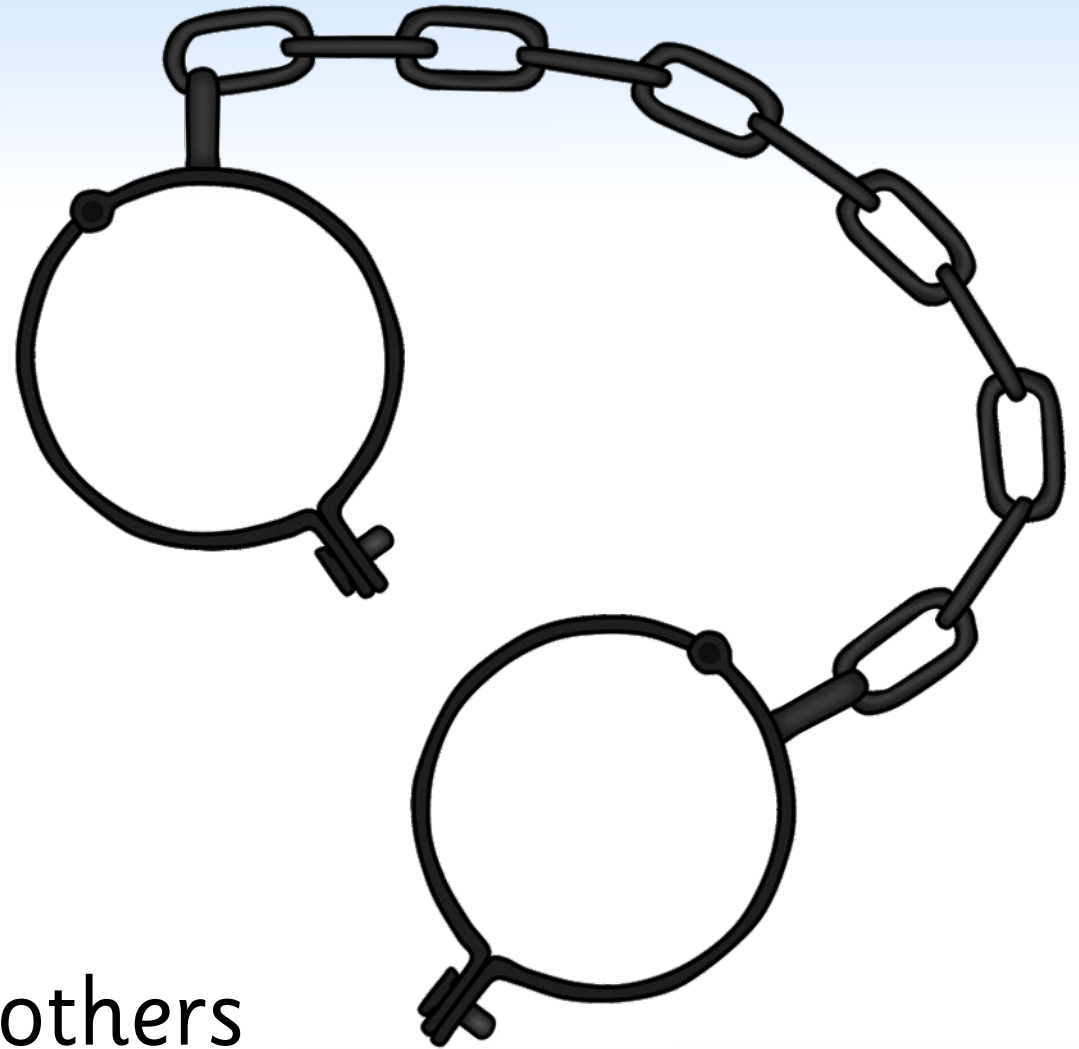
Columbus returns to America looking for treasure. But he comes home empty-handed. His brothers stay behind with a few others.

# 1498



The king of Spain pays for Columbus to go back to America a third time. When he arrives he finds his brothers' colony in a mess. He is arrested for their crimes.

# 1500



Columbus and his brothers  
are sent back to Spain in chains.

# 1502



Columbus is found not guilty for the crimes he was accused of. The king of Spain agrees to pay for one last voyage to America.



# 1506 20th May

Columbus still doesn't find Asia or any treasure. In 1504 he returns to Spain for the last time and dies in Valladolid on May 20th 1506.

