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Don Camino

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On one of the text we've read was how Columbus read Marco Polo's book and unlike other people he believed every thing it said. Columbus wanted to explore and discover riches in the Indies so after some calculations he thought it would be quicker to just go west instead of going around Africa. But when he asked for the money and supplies of his voyage the king refused to because he wanted to finish their trip around Africa. So Christopher went to Spain's king and Queen they also refused but Columbus still kept asking. When he was about to give up on going the Queen gave him permission and he got a crew, three small ships, supplies, and money for the supplies. But after some time at sea the crew started to get tired of being at sea. For they had never been away from sea so long. But Columbus promised that if they didn't reach/find land in the next three days they'll turn back. But in another

text we read that he promised something else to them too. He said that whoever spotted land first will get a reward. One early morning a crew member spotted land but Columbus took credit for it. The men unbarked and met native Indians and traded with them. But still did not treat them as equal. Columbus kidnapped, flirted with the women and killed their brothers and fathers who were angry, and many other terrible things soon word traveled around and everyone started to avoid them.