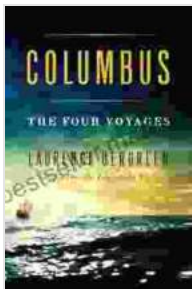


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The First Voyage (1492)

Columbus's first voyage set sail from Spain on August 3, 1492, with three ships: the Santa Maria, the Pinta, and the Niña. After a treacherous journey across the Atlantic Ocean, Columbus and his crew made landfall on an island in the Bahamas on October 12, 1492.

Columbus initially believed he had reached Asia, but he soon realized that he had discovered a new continent. He explored the islands of the Caribbean, including Cuba and Hispaniola, before returning to Spain in March 1493.



The Second Voyage (1493-1496)

Columbus's second voyage set sail from Spain on September 25, 1493, with 17 ships and over 1,000 men. He returned to the Caribbean and explored the islands of Guadeloupe, Dominica, Montserrat, and Puerto Rico.

In 1494, Columbus founded the first permanent European settlement in the Americas, La Isabela, on the island of Hispaniola. However, the settlement was plagued by disease and conflict, and Columbus was forced to return to Spain in 1496.



Christopher Columbus's second voyage to the Americas

The Third Voyage (1498-1500)

Columbus's third voyage set sail from Spain on May 30, 1498, with six ships. He explored the coast of South America, including Venezuela, Trinidad, and Tobago.

In 1499, Columbus made landfall on the continent of South America at the mouth of the Orinoco River. He also discovered the island of Margarita, which was rich in pearls.



The Fourth Voyage (1502-1504)

Columbus's fourth and final voyage set sail from Spain on May 11, 1502, with four ships. He explored the coast of Central America, including Honduras, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica.

In 1503, Columbus reached the Gulf of Urabá in present-day Colombia. He also discovered the islands of San Andrés and Providencia.



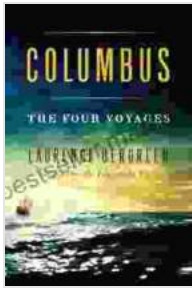
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The Legacy of Columbus's Voyages

Columbus's four voyages had a profound impact on the world. He opened up the New World to European exploration and colonization, which led to the exchange of goods, ideas, and cultures between the Americas and Europe.

Columbus's voyages also had a lasting impact on the indigenous peoples of the Americas. The European arrival brought new diseases, warfare, and slavery, which decimated the native populations.

Despite his complex and controversial legacy, Christopher Columbus remains one of the most important figures in world history. His voyages forever changed the course of *человеческой цивилизации*, and his name is forever etched in the annals of exploration and discovery.

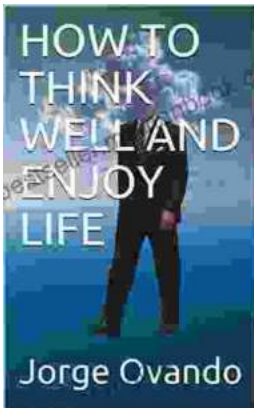


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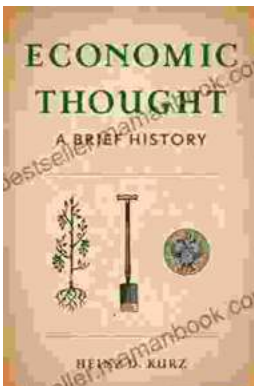
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