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History Pockets: Explorers Of North America, Grades 4-6+



Synopsis

History Pockets-Explorers of North America, Grades 46+, contains eleven discovery pockets. The introduction pocket gives an overview of exploration throughout North America. The other pockets feature ten famous explorers and their journeys. Each of the pockets contains: a reproducible pocket label, a bookmark of short fun facts about the subject, a reference map of the voyage(s) made by the explorer, a fact sheet of background information for teacher and students, arts and crafts projects, and writing activities. Evaluation forms are provided at the end of the book for teacher and student assessment purposes. The book includes the following pockets: Introduction to Explorers of North America, Christopher Columbus, John Cabot, Hernando Cortes, Jacques Cartier, Sir Francis Drake, Henry Hudson, Daniel Boone, James Cook, Lewis and Clark, and John Wesley Powell.

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Customer Reviews

I love this set and highly recommend it. I just started homeschooling my son. This can encompass Writing, Reading, Art, History, Geography and Science if you follow what we have done. I bought this with the Native american History pockets. I made a poster size pencil drawing of North America. I decided to have my son discover North America with the explorers. We do it in chronological order as each explorer lands on North America we look at the people they came across, the land (climate, flora, and fauna), land marks (Estuaries, Rivers, mountains and deserts), and we make food

(Explorers ate hard tack, which is in the Explorers book and Native foods). As each explorer lands on our map he color the state in and labels rivers, lakes and mountains. I supplement with books in the library, state parks, and wild life websites with the science. I have added a few explores that are not mentioned in the book (De Soto, Coronado and Marquet) I also added real leather moccasin, real feather headdress, dream cater, real cross stitch, and making a log cabin from sticks and pebbles. But the books have paper art if you are not as ambitious. I have found that I love the History pockets so much that I bought the Colonial and I am planing to buy the others as they come up in our time line. Hope you enjoy them as much as we have.

History Pockets have made our homeschool history time much more fun! Both my children (7) and (12) have used various history pockets over the years.

There are a couple of dud lessons, but on the whole I think the book is a great resource for talking about the age of exploration, and I've very much enjoyed using it with my 5th grade students. Certainly worth the price!

Exactly as described and pictured - happy with our order.

I got history pockets for my 6yr old homeschooler who is currently doing 3rd and 4th grade work and LOVES history. We are working on this now. There are maps and information sheets about each explorer, and some kind of activity such as making a list of things you'd bring on a long journey, or making a model of a compass. I also have my son write about each project on the back, by simply gluing on a piece of lined paper - this makes the activities less busy work and more educational. We also have found "lapbook" elements online to print and add to the pockets, as well as other printables. We also get lots of library books to supplement. So its a good starting point to use. I can see where this would be more of a pain to use in a classroom where many copies of each thing would be needed, but for homeschooling its great! My son's friend's teacher has used the 1-3rd grade literature pockets in her 1st grade classroom before, and said her kids enjoyed them as well.

Excellent

My son LOVES History Pockets. We have paired this with the US Map Skills book by School Specialty Publishing and they go great together. If you have a kid who is hands on and loves crafts,

this is the way to learn history.

Thanks

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