

Merchant	A person who buys and sells goods
Navigation	The process sailors use to plan their course and find their location far from land
Astrolabe	A tool that measures the height of the sun or a star above the horizon
Technology	The use of scientific knowledge and new ideas to create practical tools that improve lives

Caravel	A smaller, lighter sailing ship with triangular sails
Trading Post	Stores and small settlements where goods could be bought and sold
Salve Trade	The buying and selling of humans as property
Patron	Gives financial support to another person or cause

Conquistador	Conquerors
Expedition	An organized journey
Empire	A group of nations or peoples ruled by a single group or leader
Circumnavigate	To sail completely around

Colony	A settlement or area far from the country that rules it
Columbian Exchange	The movement of people, animals, plants, cultures, and disease between the Eastern and Western hemispheres
Epidemic	An outbreak of disease that spread quickly and affects many people
Devastation	Great harm