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Who Was Zheng He???

Presentation Notes

1. Why did the Chinese emperor send Zheng He on these voyages?
2. What did Zheng He take on his voyage to trade with other merchants?
3. What items did Zheng He receive from these merchants to take back to China?
4. Why did China abandon its overseas voyages in mid 1400s?

Reading Notes – Answer the following questions after reading the “Ming Dynasty Sea Voyages” article.

5. How many voyages did Zheng He make and when?
6. In at least 2 sentences, describe Zheng He’s fleet and then compare it to the fleet of Christopher Columbus.
7. What was the purpose of Zheng He’s voyages?
8. What technology did the Chinese have that Europeans lacked?
9. How has learning about Zheng He and his voyages changed your opinion about early explorers?