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Age of Exploration timeline questions

**Directions: Use the Age of Exploration timeline, along with information from your textbook (Chapter 16 and maps from the Atlas), to locate the answers to the questions below.**  *Please note, some of the questions will require you to come up with your own answer, based on what you read in the timeline and textbook.*

1. What did Bartholomeu Dias do in 1488? Why do you think he did this (what was his goal)?
2. What did Christopher Columbus think he was doing when he “discovered” the Americas?
3. What was the Treaty of Tordesillas? Why was it created? How would it impact the future of South America?
4. Do you think Vasco da Gama’s voyage in 1497/1498 was a failure or success? Explain your answer.
5. Explain how the “New World” came to be known as South and North America.
6. Summarize what happened between 1513 and 1580 allowing Spain to dominate the “New World.”
7. What areas of the “New World” did France gain control over? Why do you think that is?
8. Where were the first several English attempts to settle in the “New World?” Were these attempts successful?
9. Both French and English explorers looked for the “Northwest Passage.” What do you think the “Northwest Passage” was?
10. What was the primary motivation (of the settlers) for the Plymouth colony?