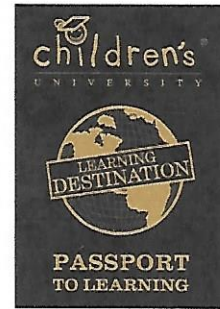




HA'PENNY PIER VISITORS CENTRE

ACTIVITY SHEET



This activity sheet is a Learning Destination Activity for Children's University. Once you have answered as many questions as you can, please speak to a member of the visitor volunteer team and they will record your Passport to Learning hours.

If you do not have your Passport to Learning with you, please let them know that you are a CU Learner and they will provide you with a sticker so that you can record the hours in your Passport to Learning when you get home.

CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT

We think Christopher Newport was born in Harwich as we know he was christened in St Nicholas Church. His father (also called Christopher) was a ship owner and the family moved to Limehouse, a very important shipping area on the River Thames in London.

Christopher went to sea as a cabin boy. Look at the display to find out more about him.

1. He had many adventures with S.. F..... D.... and fought in Naval battles in Cadiz in 1587 against the Spanish Armada.
2. In 1590 while Captain Newport was sailing to the West Indies, he lost his right arm in a sword fight during a ship-to-ship skirmish in a particularly vicious encounter off Havana. How old was Christopher Newport when this happened?

Age:

3. As Commander of a fleet of privateers, riches, species, gems and booty were seized from the Portuguese and S.... and taken back to Queen Elizabeth I. This provided great wealth to England and to the ship's crews.
4. When peace with Spain brought the privateering to an end this was the start of new adventures and in 1606 Christopher Newport was asked to sail to Virginia in the New World (America) to set up a new settlement/colony to be governed from London. A fleet of three ships left England – they were called:

- G.....
- S.... C.....
- D.....

5. They sailed via the Canaries and West Indies to the coast of America arriving at Chesapeake Bay in April 1607. Can you work out how far the journey was from the chart on the wall? **miles**

6. The building of the settlement and making contact with the Native American tribes was a great achievement of Christopher Newport. He was helped by one of the passengers, J... S...., who was a soldier.

7. In the display can you also find the name of King Powhatan's daughter? How did she save the life of the soldier?
Name: **Event:**

8. They called the settlement Jamestown after the then King of England. Can you guess the name of the King?
Name:

9. In the year Captain Newport sailed to the Spice Islands (North Indonesia) where he filled his ship with a full load of spices to bring home to England.

A voyage to return to Java became his last trip as Captain Newport did just before reaching there. His son, also called Christopher, was on board as Master's Mate and continued the family's adventures at sea.