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# Vasco Da Gama: Quest For The Spice Trade (In The Footsteps Of Explorers)



## Synopsis

This exciting new book tells the story of the relentless and at times tyrannical explorer Vasco da Gama. By the late 1400s, Portugal's Prince Henry was looking for a way to expand Portuguese territory and gain access to the lucrative spice trade of the Far East. Vasco da Gama was at the forefront of this pursuit. Topics include- Vasco da Gama's early life- Da Gama's journey around the southern tip of Africa through the Cape of Good Hope- his encounters with the people of Mombasa and Mozambique- his arrival in India and his attempts to dominate trade there- Vasco da Gama's legacy, including the development of Portuguese spice plantations in India and New World colonies- Portugal's role in the slave trade of Africa

Guided Reading: Level to be determined

## Book Information

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