Coronado: Misfortune’s Explorer Worksheet  
Fourth Grade

1. What was the primary motivation behind Coronado’s expedition in search of Quivira?

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2. Where was Coronado’s army resting when the hail storm struck them?

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3. How did the hail affect the Spaniards helmets and tents?

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4. The hailstorm destroyed their “crockery” or water container. Why was this important?

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5. When hunting game on the Great Plains, what challenges did the Spaniards face?

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6. While on the Great Plains, how far did Coronado’s expedition march in a day? How did they keep track of the distance they traveled?

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7. Why did the Turk lie and mislead Coronado?

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8. What was the Spaniards’ reaction to the Turk’s lies?

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9. Besides the Turk, who was Coronado’s other Indian guide? What were his feelings toward the Turk?

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10. Did Coronado’s expedition find any gold or silver?

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