

Double-entry Journal: Should we celebrate Columbus Day?

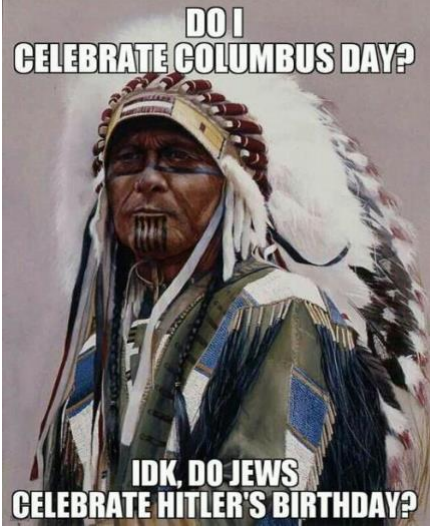
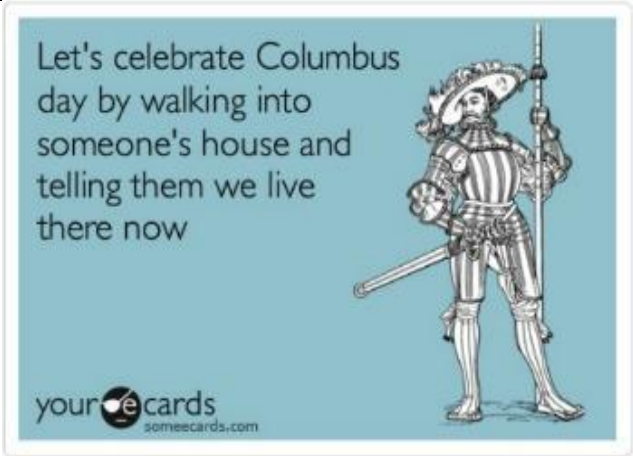
Do you think everyone is happy about a national day to celebrate Columbus?

Who do you think is NOT happy about this day?

Look at and think about these images.

Then, write your thoughts on the left side of the paper.

If you can't think of anything, describe what you see in the picture.

YOUR THOUGHTS, QUESTIONS, COMMENTS	IMAGES OR QUOTES
	
	

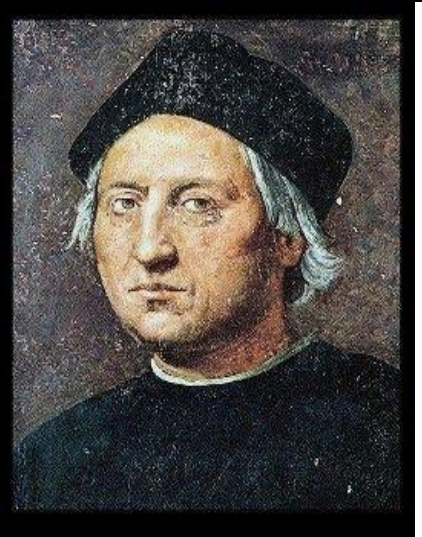


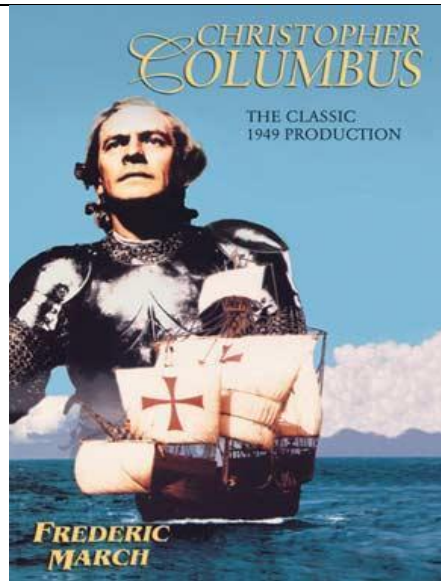
“As Native American peoples in this red quarter of Mother Earth, we have no reason to celebrate an invasion that caused the demise of so many of our people, and is still causing destruction today.”

—Suzan Shown Harjo of the Morning Star Institute, Creek and Cheyenne

“The Indians are so naive and so free with their possessions that no one who has not witnessed them would believe it. When you ask for something they have, they never say no. To the contrary, they offer to share with anyone.” “They would make fine servants.... With fifty men we could subjugate them all and make them do whatever we want.”

Christopher Columbus/
Cristóbal Colón





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