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The Mariners went around for trade, they wanted to be respected mainly. They brought many things to China including exotic animals to China from Africa. The Chinese were world leaders and wanted to dominate trade in the Indian ocean. The voyages ended because he died and their successors were not interested in Maritime trade because they were more concerned with protecting China against traditional enemies such as nomads. Which is why there is a great wall in China. Vasco de Gama made it around Africa and into the Indian ocean they had many things mapped out as they were navigators. They were mainly looking for Gold and Christians because that is what the Portuguese people were mainly looking for. Christopher Columbus was not a lucky idiot he knew that the earth was round he just miscalculated how big the oceans really were. Columbus is known more because of the things he discovered even if he brought a lot of negative things with him.