

Working on Columbus's Ships

I, Christopher Columbus, need a hardworking crew of sailors to come with me westward to find the Indies. You must be willing to work hard and also be willing to sail to unknown lands.

Please apply for one of the jobs below before August 3, 1492.

Job Title	Job Description
artists	Draw pictures of scenery, people, and objects the crew discovers.
boatswains (boh'zuns)	In charge of sails, rope, rigging, and anchors.
captains	Leaders of the ships. I, Columbus, will be the captain of the Santa María. But I need two people to be captains of the Nina and Pinta.
carpenters	Repair the ship and build new ones when needed.
cooks	Prepare the food.
doctors	Help people when they are sick or hurt.
first mate	Carries out the captain's orders.
cleaning persons	Keep the boat clean and mop the floors.
mapmakers	Draw up maps of the lands discovered.
musicians	Play instruments and sing with the crew.
officers	Help the captain navigate the ship and make decisions.
sailmakers	Mend the sails and repair the ropes.
writers	Help the captain keep his ship's log, write messages, and write about what happens on the trip.
priests	In charge of religious events and services.
ship's boy or girl	Helps other people on the ship.
stewards	Look after the food and equipment stored on the ship.