

## Christopher Columbus

'In 1492' is a popular poem about Columbus' voyage that has been made into a song. Your task is to learn to sing this song, or learn it as a poem.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V9q6HtcgWRA&feature=youtu.be>

### IN 1492

In fourteen hundred ninety-two  
Columbus sailed the ocean blue.

He had three ships, he left from  
Spain;  
He sailed through sunlight, wind and  
rain.

He sailed by night; he sailed by day;  
He used the stars to find his way.

Ninety sailors were aboard;  
Some men sailed while others  
snored.

Then the workers went to sleep;  
And others sailed the ocean deep.

Day after day they looked for land;  
They dreamed of trees and rocks  
and sand.

October 12<sup>th</sup>, their dreams came  
true,  
You never saw a happier crew

Than in fourteen hundred and  
ninety-two  
When Columbus sailed the ocean  
blue.

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blue.

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### Extension task

*Look at how the words at the end of the pairs of lines RHYME*

*For example: two, blue*

*Choose a pair of words from this poem, and see how many other words you can find that rhyme with them.*