

Today in Math History...



-12 October 1492
Christopher Columbus
landed in the West Indies...
on San Salvador (probably
now Watling Island).

On October 12 after 71 days at sea land was sighted. Columbus and his men rowed ashore and planted a flag in the sand. They claimed the island which they named San Salvador for Spain. Since Columbus believed he was in the Indies he called the natives Indians. Columbus had really landed on an island southeast of what is now Florida.