

1.Hernandez, 1774

[Julia H. and Ann](#)

Hernandez first landed in British Columbia at the Queen Charlotte Islands and encountered the Haida's and traded with them. He was the first documented European to visit the coast of modern day British Columbia. He was the first to explore Haida Gwaii and approach Nootka sound

2.Cook, 1778

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British explorer "captain cook"

Captain of the Royal Navy

Joined Navy in 1775

Killed in Hawaii

Born October 27 1728 in Marton Yorkshire

First explorer to discover the Hawaiian islands when he sailed past Oahu

3.Meares, 1786

John Meares was an Irish explorer and fur trader primarily on Vancouver Island. He resembles an ape in figure. An island was named in tribute to him after his death it was named by George Henry Richards. Meares was best know for the Nootka Crisis. The Nootka Crisis was spanish explorers going up to the west coast of Van Island for trade. The British saw this as threatening their sovereignty and a war almost broke out. Meares was on the side of the spanish and helped prevent a war between Great Britain and Spain

[Jasper D. and Leif](#)

4.Vancouver/Quadra, 1791

5.Alexander Mackenzie overland 1792

[Magnus & Keenan](#)

6.Fort Langley, 1827

[Jordan, Jasper](#)

Fort Langley was a provisional capital for the young British Columbia

7.Fort Victoria, 1843

[Sami and David](#)

- Fort Victoria was a Fur Trading post for the Hudsons Bay Company and was also the headquarters of HBC operations in British Columbia
- The fort struggled for years to turn a profit
- The location was difficult to defend,
- fort victoria was built in 1843 and was used to 1864
- Fort Victoria was the beginning of a settlement that eventually grew into the modern Victoria
- Fort Victoria was originally called Camosun

8.Oregon Treaty, 1846

9.Colony of Vancouver land, 1848

Bailey and Jack

James Cook was the first european that landed on Vancouver Island at Nootka Sound in 1778 and claimed the territory for Great Britain.

Established in 1843, the settlement was used by the HBC and was used by fur trade. The settlement was first named Fort Albert and afterwards changed to Fort Victoria.

10.Fraser gold rush, 1855

Jenna and Lauren

~Began in 1855 after gold was discovered in the Thompson River,BC

~The Gold Rush was centered around the Fraser Canyon (North of Lillooet)

~Within a month, 30,000 men had descended into Victoria

~Ended in about 1860

~In 1858, 30,000 gold seekers flooded the banks of the Fraser River from Hope to North of Lillooet

~tens of thousands of prospectors came to the area from California they disrupted the balance between the HBC fur traders and the natives in BC.

11.Colony of B.C. 1858

Colleen and Laurel

-was a crown colony

-Sir James Douglas was the first governor of the colony of British Columbia

-the royal colony of BC merged with the colony of Vancouver Island to form British Columbia

-was half the size of BC is now

-the royal colony did not include Vancouver Island