Transnational comparison

When you have read the article about Columbus by David Armitage, read the article by Rafal Jaworski, which is a review of a book about Columbus by Manuel Rosa.

Tasks (students' view):

Questions about the article "Christopher Columbski, or a tale of King Wladyslaw on a remote island"

- 1 What is the main claim of the book by Manuel Rosa ('Columbus: the untold story')?
- 2 What is Jaworski's opinion of Rosa's book? What criticisms does he make of Rosa as a historian?
- 3 What is the connection between the article by Armitage and the article by Jaworski?
- 4 Do a Google search to establish the academic credentials of Rosa and Armitage as historians. What does it reveal?
- 5 The study of Christopher Columbus is not part of the National Curriculum in England, and few students learn about him. Can you speculate about why this might be the case?