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The Age of Exploration: Unveiling the World Beyond

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Answers may vary but could include Portugal's focus on finding a sea route to Asia for spice trade, while Spain aimed to expand its empire and spread Christianity in the Americas.
2. The Age of Exploration had significant ethical dilemmas, including the devastating impact on indigenous peoples through diseases, colonization, forced labor, and exploitation.
3. Answers may vary but could consider factors like personal interests, curiosity, potential for discovery, and the desire for fame and fortune.
4. The Age of Exploration had a lasting impact on global knowledge by expanding maps, cultures through the Columbian Exchange, and trade routes that influenced the world's economies and societies.

