Discussion Questions:
Amerigo Vespucci: “The New World, January – February 1502”

1. What phrase does Vespucci use that indicates his opinion of the land in America?

2. What information in this writing might attract the attention of Christian missionaries in Europe?

3. What information might attract the attention of European military generals and/or monarchs?

4. What indicates that Vespucci was impressed with the natives, their skills, and their land?

5. Do you feel that this information would provide incentive for Europeans to conquer the Americas? Why/Why not? Explain your answer.