



◀ Christopher Columbus' arrival in the Americas in 1492 **altered** the lives of the indigenous people living there. While some people celebrate Columbus Day in October to honor Columbus' accomplishments, others choose to celebrate Indigenous People's Day during this month.

| Word            | Part of Speech | Meaning                     | Word History   | Other Forms  |
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| <i>to alter</i> | verb           | to change or make different | <i>alter</i> comes from the Latin <i>alter</i> , which means "other" | <i>alteration</i> (noun); <i>alterable</i> (adjective) |

to alter

Draw a picture or graphic of the word.

Name other words that mean about the same thing.

Name other words that have the opposite meaning.

Think of something you have altered and write a sentence explaining what you changed.

**Figurative Language**

An **alter ego** is one aspect of a person that is very different from another aspect of that same person. *Lu is very shy at school, but when she performs on stage her alter ego takes over and she is the star of the show.*

