



St John Fisher RC Primary School

Year 2 Knowledge Organiser – Autumn Term Two – History

What we will be learning

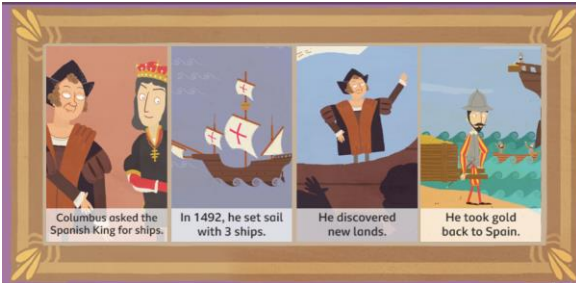
I know:

Lesson 2

- Christopher Columbus was a famous explorer who lived over 500 years ago
- Columbus discovered new lands we called the Americas and brought back goods such as pineapples and turkeys
- Columbus sailed on Spanish ships

Lesson 3

- The Spanish sent soldiers to get the gold and the local people were treated badly –
- Some people remember Columbus for being a brave explorer who discovered the new lands, others remember how much misery was caused for the people



A timeline of events

Key Facts to Remember about Christopher Columbus

- He lived in the 15th century – over 500 years ago
- He is remembered as a famous explorer
- He sailed the seas to lots of countries in search of wealth
- He set sail for The Indies, but went West and found The Americas (The Bahamas)
- People were already living there, therefore he did not 'discover' it. However, his is thought to be the first recorded visit by Europeans and his journey inspired other explorers to go.



Columbus set sail from Spain and went West



La Pinta

La Nina

Santa Maria

The Three Ships the Columbus and his crew sailed in.

Key Vocabulary

explorer

A person who explains an unfamiliar area.

The Indies

Lands in the Eastern Hemisphere, including the islands and mainland around the Indian Ocean.

'The Americas' explored by Columbus

Columbus and his crew first landed in the Bahamas and then explored other islands now known as Cuba, The Dominican Republic, and Haiti.

Where's the evidence?

A letter written by Columbus in 1493 to the King and Queen of Spain when he returned from his voyage. To tell them all about his 'discovery'.

A **Primary Source** written at the time.
(Gilderlehrman Institute)

Questa lettera fu scritta da Cristoforo Colombo al Re e alla Regina di Spagna nel 1493, dopo il suo primo viaggio di scoperta. In questa lettera, Colombo descrive i suoi scopri e le sue impressioni sulle terre e sulle persone che aveva visto. La lettera è divisa in due parti: la prima parte descrive le scoperte e la seconda parte descrive le impressioni. La lettera è scritta in italiano e è una delle prime lettere scritte da un esploratore europeo. La lettera è conservata nella Biblioteca Nazionale di Madrid.

Explorers studied in Key Stage One



1492



1916



1966

Significant individuals who inspired others to continue to explore:

- The New World
- The Polar Regions
- Space



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I know: Lesson 4

- Antarctica is surrounded by the Southern Ocean that can be located on a world map and a globe
- Ernest Shackleton was a famous explorer
- Shackleton went on several trips to explore the South Pole on the continent of Antarctica

Lesson 5

- Shackleton's most famous journey was on a ship called Endurance
- Shackleton rescued his crew when they became trapped in ice

Key Facts to Remember about Ernest Shackleton

- He was an explorer in the early 20th century – over 100 years ago.
- He wanted to see places people had never been to before.
- He went on several trips to explore the South Pole.
- His most famous journey was on a ship called Endurance in 1914.
- Shackleton wanted to make the first overland crossing of the vast continent of Antarctica, but the Endurance sank.



8th August 1914 Endurance sets sail from Plymouth, England	18th January 1915 Endurance becomes stuck in ice	27th October 1915 The crew abandon ship and camp on the ice	21st November 1915 Endurance sinks	9th April 1916 The crew leave the ice and launch lifeboats into water	15th April 1916 They land on Elephant island and set up camp	24th April 1916 Shackleton and 5 others set sail for South Georgia to get help	10th May 1916 They land on South Georgia	30th August 1916 Shackleton returns to Elephant Island to rescue the rest of the crew. All are rescued.
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Key Vocabulary

Explorer	A person who explores an unfamiliar area.
Antarctica	The Southernmost continent – ice covered land mass.
South Pole	The southernmost point of the Earth.
Elephant Island	An ice covered mountainous island off the coast of Antarctica
Abandon ship	Get off the ship because it's sinking



Where's the evidence?



Frank Hurley's photo – A Primary Source

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