

Knowledge Organiser

Year Group	Subject	Topic
2	Hummanities	Great Explorers

Big Picture Explorers travel and teach us about countries, culture and the environment of their times.

Key Facts

Who was Ibn Battuta?	Ibn Battuta was born in 1304. He was a great explorer . He spent nearly 30 years travelling. It is thought he travelled over 78,000 miles visiting the equivalent of 44 modern countries. In 1354, he wrote down what happened on his journey in a Rihla . Ibn died sometime between 1368 and 1377.
Who was Christopher Columbus?	Christopher Columbus was born in 1451. He was a sailor and he became famous for finding the 'Americas' in 1492 (though lots of people already lived there!). He died in 1506.
Why is Neil Armstrong famous?	Neil Armstrong is famous for being the first human being to set foot on the Moon. He was born in 1930 and died in 2012.
Who was Robert Falcon Scott?	Captain Robert Falcon Scott was born in Devon in 1868 and became an officer in the Royal Navy. He led two expeditions to Antarctica , the first from 1901 to 1904. He set off on the second expedition in 1910. He and his team reached the pole in January 1912. The team all died on the journey back.
Are there any explorers now?	Ann Bancroft is a modern explorer . In 1986, she became the first woman to reach the North Pole on foot and by sled. It took the team of six 56 days to get there. In 2001, Ann and a Norwegian adventurer called Liv Arnesen became the first women to ski across Antarctica .



Key Vocabulary

explorer	An explorer travels to new places to learn about them.
Antarctic	The South Pole is in the Antarctic .
Rihla	Rihla means journey or voyage.



1354

Ibn Battuta wrote his story in a book called a **Rihla**.



1506

Christopher Columbus died.

1304

Ibn Battuta was born.

1492

Christopher Columbus 'discovered' America.



1868

Robert Falcon Scott was born.

1969

Neil Armstrong and his team landed on the Moon.



1901 - 1904

Robert Falcon Scott's first expedition to the South Pole.



1910 - 1912
Robert Falcon Scott's second expedition to the South Pole. Scott died.

1986

Ann Bancroft became the first woman to reach the North Pole.



