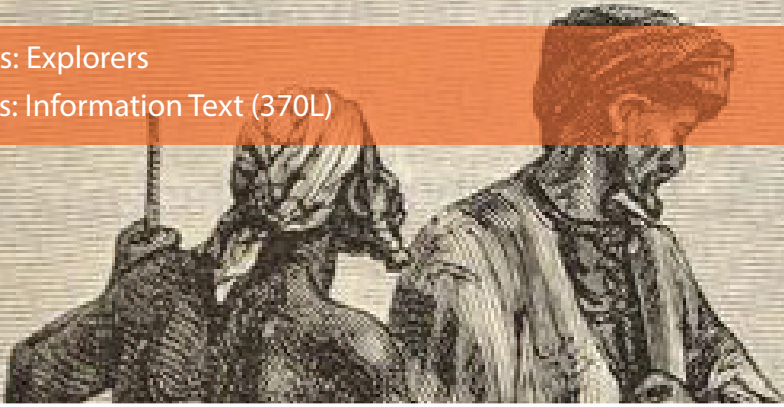




Famous Explorers

Ibn Battuta

Ibn Battuta was an explorer. He lived 700 years ago.

He lived in Morocco and he wanted to go to Mecca.

It was 3000 miles away! Ibn Battuta rode camels to get there. It was a long, dangerous journey.

Ibn Battuta saw many things. He saw pyramids. He saw sandy deserts. It was too hot for most animals. Ibn Battuta arrived in Mecca. He loved being there but he didn't stay. He didn't go home either. He kept travelling for 29 years. He travelled over 75,000 miles! Ibn Battuta learned many things. He was a wise man. One day he went home. He was so different. He had seen the world.

RETRIEVAL FOCUS

1. Where did Ibn Battuta live?
2. How long did Ibn Battuta travel for?
3. Where did Amelia Earhart go missing?
4. In which year did Neil Armstrong go to the moon?

Amelia Earhart

Amelia Earhart was a pilot. She flew planes in the 1930s. Flying was dangerous. The planes were not safe. Many people crashed. Not many women flew planes. People said only men should do it. That didn't stop Amelia. She wanted to fly.

She flew across the Atlantic Ocean. She went from Canada to Northern Ireland. The weather was rough. The plane had problems but Amelia made it. She was very brave.

She loved adventures. Her last adventure was in 1937. She wanted to fly all around the world but she didn't make it. No one could find her plane. She was somewhere over the Pacific Ocean. She went missing. Amelia was never found.

Neil Armstrong

Neil Armstrong was an explorer. He explored space. He was the first man on the moon. This was in 1969.

Neil Armstrong was an astronaut. He and his team boarded a rocket. There was a countdown.

10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1...

Blast off! The rocket flew into space. Then it landed on the moon. It was very scary. No one had done that before!

It was a big moment. Neil Armstrong would never forget it.



VIPERS QUESTIONS

V

Which word tells you that Ibn Battuta didn't walk to Mecca?

I

Why did Ibn Battuta use camels not horses?

V

What word tells you Amelia wasn't easily scared.

P

How do you think Neil felt when he landed on the Moon?

Answers

1. Morocco
2. 29 Years
3. The Pacific Ocean
4. 1969

V: Rode

I: It was too hot for horses / Camels are used to deserts

V: Brave

P: Any relevant answer (excited / proud / scared)