

# Year 1 and 2: Explorers Knowledge Mat

## Subject Specific Vocabulary Dozen

Explorer	An explorer is someone who makes journeys to new or treacherous places and they make records of their travels.
Antarctic	The Antarctic is a polar region, around the South Pole.
Captain Scott	An explorer
Christopher Columbus	An explorer
Asia	A continent
Diary	A day by day journal.
Caribbean.	A region of the North American mainland, east of Central America, and north of South America.
Edu.	A ship
Map	a map is a bit like a plan view – looking down from above (a bird's/aeroplane's eye view)
The Santa Maria,	Christopher Columbus's ship
Pinta	Christopher Columbus's ship
Nina	Christopher Columbus's ship

## Key questions

- Who were the first explorers and where did they go?
- Who was Columbus and where did he travel to?
- What was it like to sail on a voyage with Columbus?
- Where is the South Pole and what are the challenges that face people who try to reach it?
- What happened to Scott on his expedition to the South Pole?

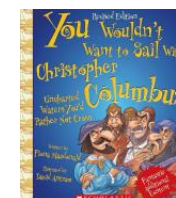
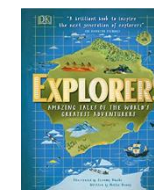


Columbus  
1451—1506  
Genoa, Europe  
Left from Spain in search of a faster route to India but ended up in the Americas.

Robert Falcon Scott  
1868-1912  
England, Europe  
Led an expedition to the South Pole.



## Exciting Books



## Sticky Knowledge about explorers?

- During his early years in navigation, Columbus participated in a number of voyages to Africa, giving him a lot of knowledge and experience about sailing in the Atlantic.
- Rather than using the stars, on this voyage Columbus had a compass and a traverse board to track where the fleet was going.
- Christopher Columbus was named 'Admiral of the Seven Seas' due to his triumphs.
- Captain Robert Falcon Scott CVO was a Royal Navy officer and explorer who led two expeditions to the Antarctic regions.
- Binton Church has a memorial stain glass window to Captain Scott.