

KEY VOCABULARY

Explorer	Somebody who travels to distant or unfamiliar places to find out more about them.
Navigator	The person on board a ship or aircraft responsible for its movement from one place to another.
Aviation	The flying or operating of an aircraft.
Pioneer	A person who is among the first to do something, like explore or live in a new country or area.
Global	Relating to the whole world; worldwide
Voyage	A long journey involving travel by sea or in space.
Significant	Great or important enough to deserve attention.
Chronology	The arrangement of events/dates in the order they happened.
Century Centuries	A period of one hundred years More than one century.

KEY FACTS

- ✓ Christopher Columbus was an Italian explorer, known as the man who 'discovered America'.
- ✓ His goal was to travel to China and he thought sailing west across the Atlantic, would be faster and would open up new trade routes.
- ✓ Initially setting out to find Asia, he landed in what we now know as The Bahamas.
- ✓ He completed 4 voyages across the Atlantic Ocean, which revealed the existence of a continent west of Europe and east of Asia.
- ✓ Amelia Mary Earhart was an American aviation pioneer.
- ✓ In 1928, Earhart was the first female to fly across the Atlantic Ocean.
- ✓ In 1932, Earhart piloted a plane solo, across the Atlantic Ocean.
- ✓ Neil Armstrong was an American astronaut.
- ✓ He was the first man to walk on the Moon on 2nd July 1969.
- ✓ Buzz Aldrin followed Armstrong onto the Moon, a few minutes later.

Links to other curriculum areas:

- Year 5 - Space (Science)
- Years 1, 2, 3 and 5 - Continents and oceans
- Year 4 - Tudor explorers
- Year 3 - North & South America, Year 5 - South America

KEY LEARNING

CHRONOLOGY

- ✓ To recognise the difference between past and present.
- ✓ To identify similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods.
- ✓ To know where some people and events fit chronologically.
- ✓ To use common words and phrases about the passing of time (before, after, a long time ago, past.)

EVENTS, PEOPLE AND CHANGES

- ✓ To use and make comparisons to parts of stories and events.
- ✓ To recount simple stories accurately and suggest why people and events were important.

ENQUIRY, INTERPRETATION AND SOURCES

- ✓ To ask and answer questions about the past using a range of sources.
- ✓ To use sources to understand and form simple hypotheses about why people in the past acted the way they did.

EXPLORERS TO FOCUS ON

1492

Christopher Columbus and his crew set sail across the Atlantic Ocean. 10 weeks later, they set foot on land and believed they had reached the Indies. They called it 'The New World'.

1502

Christopher Columbus sailed to America for the fourth time, hoping to find China. He ended up in Central America.

1928

Amelia Earhart became the first female to fly across the Atlantic Ocean

1932

Amelia Earhart became the first female to fly **solo** across the Atlantic Ocean.

1969

Neil Armstrong was the first man to walk on the Moon. This was known as the 'Apollo 11 Mission.'