

Key Vocabulary

explorer	Someone who travels to new places.
hero	Someone who is brave.
indigenous	The first people to live somewhere.
memorial	A statue.
significant	Very important.



The Greatest Explorers

Key Takeaways

- **Explorers** travel to new places for different reasons.
- Ibn Battuta travelled for 30 years. He went further than anyone else at that time.
- Some people think Captain Cook is a great explorer and that he 'discovered' Australia and New Zealand. However, he brought suffering to **indigenous** peoples.
- Roald Amundsen reached the South Pole before Captain Robert Scott in 1911.
- Sunita Williams is an American astronaut who was given many awards for her achievements.
- These explorers are considered to be so **significant** that their achievements are remembered with **memorials** including statues, stamps, coins and street and place names.

Questions

What is an explorer?

Why was Ibn Battuta a great explorer?

Does everyone agree that Captain Cook was a great explorer?

Why did Roald Amundsen win the race to the South Pole?

What did Sunita Williams do to make her a great explorer?

