

The Great Explorers

Explorers of the New World: Discover the Golden Age of Exploration offers a fascinating look at the explorers and their voyages during the Age of Exploration and Discovery. Readers ages 9-12 can delve into the expeditions of Vasco da Gama, Christopher Columbus, Ferdinand Magellan, John Cabot, Hernán Cortés, and more. Using common household items and minimal supervision, kids enjoy 22 hands-on activities to help them learn about these legendary explorers and their voyages. Discover how the adventures of a few people 500 years ago changed world history. Projects include creating and using a compass, learning to tie a sailor's knot, and baking and eating sea biscuits. Along with detailed, step-by-step instructions for each project, Explorers of the New World includes biographical sidebars, engaging illustrations, interesting facts, and vocabulary words that allow kids to experience this era in a fun, interactive way. Explorers of the New World meets common core state standards in language arts for reading informational text and literary nonfiction and is aligned with Next Generation Science Standards. Guided Reading Levels and Lexile measurements indicate grade level and text complexity.

Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto is known for leading the first European expedition to discover--and cross--the Mississippi River. This intriguing book describes his career beginning with being a leader in the Spanish conquests of Central America and Peru, making first contact with the Inca emperor Atahualpa, and being

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made the governor of Cuba. He was also a fierce and controversial explorer, who was involved in many conflicts with the Native Americans who lived in the lands he explored and conquered

Meet famous explorers and adventurers in this exciting non-fiction storybook for children. Venture into steaming jungles in search of lost temples, fight off frostbite in the Arctic, and blast off into space! Great explorers have one thing in common - a desire to leap into the unknown, no matter how dangerous that might be. From Ferdinand Magellan's first circumnavigation of the world 500 years ago to Barbara Hillary's treks to the North and South poles while in her seventies, *Explorers* documents the trials and hardships of the men and women who rewrote our understanding of the world, and showed us what humans are capable of. *Explorers* looks at the towering achievements of more than 50 explorers in great detail, with incredible cross-sections revealing the amazing detail inside Spanish galleons, lost cities, and spaceships. Hand-drawn maps reveal their intrepid journeys in great detail, and photographs highlight the artefacts and relics they found along the way. The explorers come from all walks of life and parts of the world. Packed with jaw-dropping facts and written in language that will get the heart racing, *Explorers* is the perfect book for any budding young adventurer, combining both beautiful illustrations by Jessamy Hawke and fantastic photography.

The best-selling co-author of Bill O'Reilly's *Killing* series traces the divisive effort of adventurers Richard Francis Burton and John Hanning Speke to discover the source

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of the Nile River, analyzing seven character traits shared by forefront explorers and how their examples can be practically applied to modern problems.

"Examines the life of Captain James Cook, a British explorer and scientist, including his early life, his many Pacific voyages, and his death and legacy"--Provided by publisher.

From our modern perspective, it's difficult to imagine a time when the earth still contained mysteries and men headed out in wooden boats on journeys into the unknown. But that was not the case during the Age of Exploration. *The Great Explorers* tells the dramatic stories of the four men whose expeditions helped define this era: Bartolomeu Dias, Christopher Columbus, Vasco da Gama, and Ferdinand Magellan. They were demanding and imperfect leaders, single-minded in the pursuit of their goals. Their exploits on the high seas changed the course of civilization and helped create the modern world.

Discover why each of these 12 intrepid explorers risked everything to conquer the great unknown. Explorers have transformed the world with their curiosity. But with great knowledge comes great responsibility, and thriving on adventure has often lead to great danger. The explorers profiled here will give younger readers a fascinating survey of the history of this most dramatic of pastimes. The themes that are explored are: what motivated these explorers? What were they looking for, and what did they actually find? How did their journeys change their lives and the lives of the people they met? The explorers included are: Samuel de Champlain Marco

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Polo Henry Hudson Christopher Columbus James Cook
Hernán Cortés Lewis and Clark John Franklin Erik the
Red and Leif Eriksson Roald Amundsen

A book with Augmented Reality which allows you to enjoy the 3D images, Games, Music and much more surprises behind each page. This book is a semi-fictitious anthology of fifteen stories based on real-life voyages of exploration and adventure. Travel, adventure, exploration, dangerous flights, the discovery of unknown continents, spaceships...welcome to the GREAT BOOK OF EXPLORERS.

Join The Secret Explorers as they go up against thieves in ancient Egypt in the third installment of this action-packed, fact-filled book series. The Secret Explorers come together from all four corners of the globe to fix problems, solve mysteries, and gather knowledge all over the planet - and beyond. Whenever their help is needed, a special sign will appear on a door. They step through to the Exploration Station and receive their mission... In The Secret Explorers and the Tomb Robbers, Gustavo (history expert) and Kiki (engineering expert) are set the mission of stopping the Cairo Museum from closing down. They travel back in time to ancient Egypt and are soon drawn into a tense, thrilling adventure that involves breaking into pyramids, learning ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics, and stopping thieves hoping to rob all the treasure from the Pharaoh's tomb. Packed with fun illustrations and facts about the real-life Pharaoh Khufu and his treasures, ancient Egyptian religion, and how mummies were made, this thrilling adventure is perfect for young readers. Also available as an audiobook, narrated by actor Alfred Enoch.

Did Christopher Columbus discover America or a route to the Far East? Did James Cook achieve fame by mapping the known world? Were his maps so accurate that many were

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used right into the 20th Century? Cook, an 18th Century explorer, lived during a time when humankind was yet naïve and inexperienced in terms of understanding their environment. His legacy is quite astounding, given the fact that humanity had only begun to develop instrumentation. The people from Europe had never before seen Hawaii, Tahiti, Australia, New Zealand, Antarctica, nor crossed the Antarctic circle. He met and mingled with many different cultures, most of which were those of the South Pacific Ocean. He and his men even witnessed a human sacrifice. There were three voyages in all. The first one ran from 1768 to 1771 and included Tahiti, Australia, and New Zealand. The second voyage went from 1772 to 1775 and was mostly spent around the coast of Antarctica. Cook's third and final voyage went from 1776-1779. It entailed the western coast of North America and Alaska, where Cook fruitless sought for the fabled Northwest Passage. Did the Hawaiians murder James Cook? Was that a tragic incident that should have never happened? Christopher Columbus was an Italian explorer, navigator, and colonist who had a singular goal toward which he was driven. His courage was astounding, as he and his three small ships set sail across the Atlantic Ocean. Columbus and his men took precarious and dangerous journeys toward a blue horizon. All they had to depend upon were nautical charts, an astrolabe, and a quadrant. The maps he used were developed by more ancient astronomers such as Ptolemy and Eratosthenes - men who had never sailed the great sea. The legacy of Christopher Columbus is tarred by his tyranny toward the natives he came across in the New World - specifically the Arawaks and the Caribs. He also condoned slavery through his desperation to arrive back in Spain with treasures like those brought back by other explorers. By those who made it to India and the Far East. Despite the abuses he brought

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upon the indigent populations, Columbus's discoveries opened up a whole new world to trade and development. Spain was the first European country to establish colonies in America and South America, followed by Portugal, France, and Holland. Inside you will read about - The First Voyages of Columbus and Cook - Voyage to Antarctica and the Search for the South Pole - Australia and New Zealand - The Third Voyage & The Troubles - The Final Voyage and Death of James Cook And much more! In this book, you'll find out all about these most remarkable men. What was it like to travel over the edge of the ocean? The voyages, not just anyone could undertake. Do not hesitate, order your copy now and discover the bravery and the brilliance of men like Columbus and Cook, who would make a dream come true and inspire a world to follow them.

Penetrating biographies written by a group of distinguished travel writers, broadcasters, and historians reveal the lives, motives, and passions of forty major explorers in history. It has always been mankind's gift, or curse, to be inquisitive, and through the ages people have been driven to explore the limits of the worlds known to them—and beyond. Here are the stories of forty of the world's greatest explorers from Europe, America, Asia, and Australia. These are men and women who changed our perception of the world through their courageous adventures. Organized thematically, the book opens with the oceanic journeys of five hundred years ago, when the great era of recorded exploration began. The following sections look at The Land, Rivers, Polar Ice, Deserts, Life on Earth, and New Frontiers. Many of these explorers recounted their journeys in vivid firsthand accounts; others were superb artists or photographers. The book features quotes from their journals and reports, and it is illustrated with paintings, photographs, engravings, and maps, so that we can experience their adventures through their own eyes and in

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their own words. Featured explorers include: Christopher Columbus, Vasco da Gama, James Cook, Lewis and Clark, Richard Burton, Samuel de Champlain, David Livingstone, Roald Amundsen, Gertrude Bell, Alexander von Humboldt, Yuri Gagarin, and Jacques-Yves Cousteau.

When Tom's dad goes missing while exploring the North Pole, Tom decides he must find him. Suggested level: junior. Describes North American voyages and discoveries of European adventurers before 1600 and early explorations south of the Caribbean

What inspires explorers to push back the boundaries of the known world? Why do they risk their lives in unforgiving conditions far from home? How do they survive at the limits of human endurance? Who are the great pioneers of land, sea and space? Where next? This book charts the great expeditions of forty of the world's most intrepid explorers, from da Gama to Gagarin. Gertrude Bell plotted the desert sands, politics and poetry of Arabia; Francis Garnier was driven almost insane on the banks of the Mekong; Edward Wilson twice tried to reach the South Pole with Scott; Nain Singh mapped the vast spaces of Tibet, counting every step. Written by a host of distinguished travel writers, broadcasters and historians, here are journeys to savour from every corner of the earth - and beyond.

“A fascinating and unique look at these celebrated expeditions. Ed Stafford knows all too well how important an explorer’s kit can be and this brilliant book gives great insight into the role it plays.” —Sir Ranulph Fiennes In this unique and enthralling book, explorer and survivalist Ed Stafford curates 25 great expeditions through the lens of the kit these remarkable explorers took with them. In an

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environment where lack of preparation could mean certain death, the equipment carried, ridden and sailed into uncharted territories could mean the success or failure of an expedition. Was it simply a case of better provisions and preparation that helped Amundsen beat Scott to the South Pole? And how has the equipment taken to Everest changed since Hillary's first ascent? Through carefully curated photographs and specially commissioned illustrations we can see at a glance the scale, style and complexity of the items taken into the unknown by the greatest explorers of all time, and the impact each item had on their journey. How it potentially saved a life, or was purely for comfort or entertainment, and how these objects of survival have evolved and adapted as science advances, and we plunge further into the extremes. Conquering fears and mountains, adversity and wild jungles, each item these explorers flew, pulled or hauled played a crucial role in their ambitious and dangerous missions to find out a little more about our world. Through each of these objects, we can gain a better understanding ourselves. Get an intimate view of these and more amazing expeditions: Roald Amundsen, race to the Pole: Norwegian expedition (snowshoes, Primus stove, piano, violin, gramophone...) Amelia Earhart, first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean (Bendix radio direction finder, parachutes, emergency life

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raft, rouge...) Tim Slessor, first overland from London to Singapore (machetes, crowbar, typewriter, Remington dry shaver, tea...) Nellie Bly, around the world in 72 days (Mumm champagne, accordion, silk waterproof wrap, dark gloves...)

Venture into the unknown with Christopher Columbus, Marco Polo, the Vikings, and other adventurers to discover the fun facts about exploration with word searches, mazes, coloring pages, and other puzzles.

This is a fun, informative, chronological guide to the history of world explorers. The book begins with the ancient explorers, such as Alexander the Great and Julius Caesar, through to Magellan and Drake, and comes right up to the present day with Ranulph Fiennes. Each page puts an explorer in the context of his or her own time, with details of other important contemporary events and figures, the new inventions which were the springboards for their adventures, and the world regions which were capturing people's imagination at that time. Gillian Clements includes the reasons behind exploration, and how technology and exploration have gone hand-in-hand throughout history. She combines entertaining fact and historical information with eye-catching illustration.

This is a clear and comprehensive guide to intrepid adventurers and their travels. Discover details of important events, technology and world religions. An introduction to five noted explorers tells the

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stories of Esteban, Jean Baptiste Pointe duSable, James Beckwourth, Matthew Henson, and Mae Jemison

"The RGS Journeys of Discovery begins in the Golden Age of exploration with some of the earliest explorers from the Vikings to the early Chinese travellers, the discovery of the Americas by French and Spanish explorers and the eventual circumnavigation of the globe. The book is then divided into continents to detail later exploration of countries all over the world. Starting in the Americas and the brave pioneers who forged new routes into and beyond the frontiers, it moves on to exotic and remote parts of Asia, the wilds of deepest Africa, beautiful Pacific Islands, the hostile terrain of Australia and finally the frozen expanse of the Arctic and the Antarctic. Familiar explorers (Drake, Livingstone, Cook, Scott and Marco Polo) and those less familiar (Niccolo dei Conti, Armin Vambery, Nikolai Przhevalski, Paul du Chaillu and Friedrich Leichardt). Covering professional explorers, botanists hunting for undiscovered plants, missionaries spreading Christianity into unexplored regions, women, aristocratic and down-right eccentric explorers, the RGS Journeys of Discovery takes you to a world still waiting to be discovered. An exploration in itself, it is an essential experience for armchair and actual explorers both young and old."--
Chronicles the life and voyages of Christopher

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Columbus, from his childhood in Genoa to his four expeditions to the New World.

Follow the travels of Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de León to the Caribbean and Florida. His major voyages, explorations, and discoveries are presented in a tabloid-news style.

The adventurous stories of the greatest explorers in history, illustrated with hundreds of evocative portraits, photographs, paintings, and maps. Marco Polo, Ferdinand Magellan, David Livingstone, Amelia Earhart, Neil Armstrong: these are some of the greatest travelers of all time. This book chronicles their stories and many more, describing epic voyages of discovery and exploration, from the extraordinary migrations out of Africa by our earliest ancestors to the latest voyages into space. In antiquity, we follow Alexander the Great to the Indus and Hannibal across the Alps; in medieval times we trek beside Genghis Khan and Ibn Battuta. The Renaissance brought Columbus to the Americas and the circumnavigation of the world. The following centuries saw gaps in the global maps filled by Tasman, Bering, and Cook, and journeys made for scientific purposes, most famously by von Humboldt and Darwin. In modern times, the last inhospitable ends of the earth were reached including both poles and the world's highest mountain and new elements were conquered. Here are human stories of great triumph and success, but also of terrible hardships,

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tragedy, and astonishing courage in adversity. An incredible team of contributors from distinguished historians and writers to travelers and explorers bring firsthand experience to the journeys and places they describe. The contributors include Robert Ballard, Barry Cunliffe, Ranulph Fiennes, Pen Hadow, John Hemming, Robin Knox-Johnston, Christopher Ondaatje, and Simon Winchester. Exploration has never been more popular and any idea that there is nowhere left to explore is instantly disproved by the contemporary explorers who are showcased here. Most of the accounts are written by the explorers themselves, and they all vividly describe challenging and extraordinary expeditions to some of the remotest parts of the world, in extremes of temperature and aridity, often alone and on the edge of danger. Some of these explorers are very experienced and are already celebrated worldwide, others are young and less well known and just starting to make their mark; all are driven by ambition, aspiration and passion.

A “highly enjoyable” account of six men, and one woman, who journeyed into uncharted and treacherous African terrain to find the source of the White Nile (The Washington Post). Nothing obsessed explorers of the mid-nineteenth century more than the quest to discover the source of the White Nile. It was the planet’s most elusive secret, the prize coveted above all others. Between 1856

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and 1876, six larger-than-life men and one extraordinary woman accepted the challenge. Showing extreme courage and resilience, Richard Burton, John Hanning Speke, James Augustus Grant, Samuel Baker, Florence von Sass, David Livingstone, and Henry Morton Stanley risked their lives and reputations in the fierce competition. National Book Critics Circle Award-winning author Tim Jeal deploys fascinating new research to provide a vivid tableau of the unmapped “Dark Continent,” its jungle deprivations, and the courage—as well as malicious tactics—of the explorers. On multiple forays launched into east and central Africa, the travelers passed through almost impenetrable terrain and suffered the ravages of flesh-eating ulcers, paralysis, malaria, deep spear wounds, and even death. They discovered Lakes Tanganyika and Victoria and became the first white people to encounter the kingdoms of Buganda and Bunyoro. Jeal weaves the story with authentic new detail—and examines the tragic unintended legacy of the Nile search that still casts a long shadow over the people of Uganda and Sudan. “A fabulous story...old-fashioned epic adventure.”—The Sunday Times “Superb narrative...a must-read for anyone hoping to understand the internal dynamics of modern state-building in central Africa.”—Booklist Desert exploration, like climbing Everest or polar expeditions, is not for the faint-hearted, and many of

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the vivid tales within this fascinating biographical history end in tragedy. However, the informative and absorbing descriptions of the extraordinary journeys, challenges and achievements of these intrepid figures, are captivating. They risked their lives variously for good old fashioned epic adventure, solitude, fame, the answer to mythical questions and some were even spies. They experienced fear, excitement and hardship in their journeys into the unknown. There are many books on exploration but remarkably few on desert exploration. Moreover, some of the great desert explorers of the last three hundred years are now very little remembered or appreciated in comparison, say, with those who ventured to the poles, climbed Everest, or sought the source of the Nile. Yet, crossing unknown deserts is no less challenging. This volume finally brings these Great Desert Explorers into the limelight, with short, illustrated biographies of around 60 of the most interesting, intrepid and important explorers of the world's greatest deserts. There is also a brief introduction to each desert region. The many original quotations, illustrations and maps, contemporary figures, as well as plates of a range of desert landscapes make this a colourful, lively and informative read.

The important travels and writings of English explorer Mary Kingsley helped develop the British public's knowledge about the African continent. Her

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concern for indigenous people influenced a change in British practices in Africa. From her travels by boat to her studies of West African tribes and work as a nurse, this book describes her inspiring life using engaging fact boxes and historical information presented in tabloid-style.

Presents the life and accomplishment of the sixteenth-century Portuguese sea captain who commanded the first expedition to sail around the world.

Adventure, danger, and a thrilling global mission await 12-year-old Cruz Coronado as he joins an elite school for explorers. Cruz leaves his tranquil home in Hawaii to join 23 talented kids from around the globe to train at the Explorer Academy with the world's leading scientists to become the next generation of great explorers. But for Cruz, there's more at stake. No sooner has he arrived at the Academy than he discovers that his family has a mysterious past with the organization that could jeopardize his future. In the midst of codebreaking and cool classes, new friends and augmented reality expeditions, Cruz must tackle the biggest question of all: Who is out to get him, and why? Readers can get in on the excitement with puzzles and codes embedded throughout.

From Pytheas the Greek, who sailed to the Arctic Circle without a compass, to Neil Armstrong landing on the moon, here are 14 extraordinary journeys by

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land, sea and air - each remarkable for the way it was made, for the technology behind it, and for the inspiration it gave to future generations. Storytelling, fold-out cross sections, detailed maps and technical drawings enable readers to experience the excitement of exploration.

Examines eleven of the greatest explorers and expeditions in history and explains the impact they had on people's perception of the world, in a book with unfolding cross sections.

The sketchbook has been the one constant in explorers' kits for centuries of adventure. Often private, they are records of immediate experiences and discoveries, and in their pages we can see what the explorers themselves encountered. This remarkable book showcases 70 such sketchbooks, kept by intrepid men and women as they journeyed perilous and unknown environments—frozen wastelands, high mountains, barren deserts, and dense rainforests—with their senses wide open. Figures such as Charles Darwin and Sir Edmund Hillary are joined here by lesser-known explorers such as Adela Breton, who braved the jungles of Mexico to make a record of Mayan monuments. Here are profiles, expedition details, and the artwork of pioneering explorers and mapmakers, botanists and artists, ecologists and anthropologists, eccentrics and visionaries. Here is the art of discovery.

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This fascinating book follows the travels of Italian navigator John Cabot along the northeast coast of North America. Presented in an entertaining tabloid style, topics include: what led Cabot to sail west, life on board ship, the cod industry on the Grand Banks of Newfoundland, the fate of Cabot's unsuccessful second voyage, and Cabot's legacy.

Details the adventures of Columbus, Magellan, Lewis and Clark, Robert Peary, and more than fifty other explorers since the time of ancient Egypt who attempted to chart unknown regions around the world

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