

Stanley Road Primary School

Explorers

Year 2 (Summer Term)

History & Geography

Vocabulary Dozen

Continent	A very large area of land, such as Africa or Asia, that is made of several countries.
Ocean	One of the five very large areas of sea on the Earth's surface.
Equator	An imaginary line around the middle of the Earth.
Explorer	someone who travels to places about which very little is known, in order to discover what is there.
Sailor	Someone who works on a ship or sails a boat.
Merchant	A person who buys or sells goods.
Warship	A ship with guns that is used for fighting in wars.
Voyage	A long journey on a ship or in a spacecraft
Astronaut	A person who is trained for travelling in a spacecraft
Flight commander	An officer in charge of a flight
Descend	Move downwards
Gravity	The force which causes things to drop to the ground.

Christopher Columbus

Christopher Columbus was an explorer born in 1451 in Genoa, in Northern Italy.

Columbus believed the Earth was round and decided to try and sail west from Europe to reach Asia.

August 3rd 1492 three ships sailed west called the Santa Maria, the Nina and the Pinta.

12th October 1492 Columbus found an island and named it San Salvador.

He went on four voyages across the Atlantic Ocean.

Columbus became tired and ill and died in 1506. He never knew he had found a new continent, North America.

Neil Armstrong

Neil Armstrong was an astronaut born in 1930 in the state of Ohio, United States of America.

1967 United States scientists began making plans for a moon landing and designed a new spacecraft called Apollo.

Apollo 11 launched in 1969 it took off from the Kennedy Space Centre in Florida, USA.

Apollo 11 was the first spacecraft to land on the moon.

21st July 1969 Neil Armstrong was the first person to walk on the moon.

Neil Armstrong died in 2012 at the age of 82. Today, he still inspires modern astronauts.

Map of the world showing the 7 Continents and 5 Oceans

NOTE: Oceania is also known as 'Australia'



Santa Maria, the Nina and the Pinta



Christopher Columbus's ships

Apollo 11



Neil Armstrong's Rocket