

Year 1 and 2 knowledge organiser- Explorers

Key Vocabulary	
commemorate	To celebrate and remember a person or event.
explorer	An explorer is someone who goes on an exploration .
exploration	A journey where explorers travel to unfamiliar places.
polar	Used when talking about anything to do with the North Pole or the South Pole.
recent	In the past but not long ago.
Rihla	The shortened name of the book where Ibn Battuta's travels were written down. The word ' Rihla ' means 'journey' in Arabic.
significant	Important and worth knowing about.
voyage	A long journey, especially by ship. The word voyage can also be used to describe journeys in space.



Christopher Columbus who was Spanish, is remembered for exploring America.



Captain James Cook was a naval captain and explorer who, in 1770, **charted New Zealand and the Great Barrier Reef of Australia** on his ship HMB Endeavour.

Astronaut A person who travels in space

Aviator A pilot, someone who fly's planes

Why are some people in history considered to be significant ?	There are lots of reasons why someone might be considered to be important in history. It might be that their actions changed things for people or that they achieved something great.
How are significant explorers remembered?	Significant people, including explorers , are remembered in lots of different ways. Some explorers have places named after them. Some have their pictures on stamps or there might be statues to commemorate them.



In 1969, Neil Armstrong was an **astronaut** who was the first man to step foot on the moon. He was accompanied by astronaut **Michael Collins**



Ibn Battuta was born in 1304. He was a great explorer who spent nearly **30 years travelling**. It is thought he travelled over 78,000 miles visiting the same as **44 modern countries**. In 1354, he told a writer what happened on his journeys and these stories were written up in the **Rihla**.



Amelia Earhart the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean, and the first person ever to fly solo from Hawaii to the U.S. mainland. She set many flying records and championed the advancement of women in **aviation**.



Matthew Henson an African American explorer best known as the co-discoverer of the North Pole with **Robert Edwin Peary** in 1909.



Felicity Aston's polar exploration is part of recent history. In 2012, Felicity became the first person to ever travel alone across **Antarctica**, just using her own power and walking with skis.