

## **KS1** History Quiz - Explorers and Travellers (Questions)

This quiz addresses the requirements of the National Curriculum KS1 History for children aged 5, 6 and 7 in years 1 and 2. Specifically this quiz is aimed at the section dealing with how explorers, tribes, armies and peoples have travelled around the world.

How explorers, tribes, armies and peoples have travelled the world is a broad subject covering individual pursuits, conquests and how migration has changed how and where people have lived over time. From Roman legions to the space age - this quiz has it all!

| 1. | <ul> <li>The Norwegian, Fridtjof Nansen, was the first man to cross Greenland's ice cap and the Arctic Ocean. He sailed further north than anyone had been before.</li> <li>What was named after him?</li> <li>[ ] A brand of fizzy drink</li> <li>[ ] A meteor</li> <li>[ ] A soft toy</li> <li>[ ] A snow shoe</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>2. The Roman Army was famous for marching its troops long distances every day. How far could they be made to march?</li> <li>[ ] Up to 400 miles</li> <li>[ ] Up to 4 miles</li> <li>[ ] Up to 10 miles</li> <li>[ ] Up to 40 miles</li> </ul>                                       |
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| 3. | <ul> <li>The Vikings were fearsome seafarers who raided and traded across Europe. What does everyone think they wore, which they probably did not?</li> <li>[ ] Silk pyjamas</li> <li>[ ] Spotted pants</li> <li>[ ] Lacey shawls</li> <li>[ ] Horned helmets</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>4. A people from Eastern Europe travelled west and helped to overthrow the Roman Empire. What were they called?</li> <li>[ ] Teddy Boys</li> <li>[ ] Rockers</li> <li>[ ] Mods</li> <li>[ ] Goths</li> </ul>   |
| 5. | Captain Cook discovered more of the earth's surface<br>than anyone else. Where did he die?<br>[ ] Finland<br>[ ] Hawaii<br>[ ] Australia<br>[ ] Antarctica  | <ul> <li>6. What are nomads?</li> <li>[ ] People who like to wear wool</li> <li>[ ] Men who are called Norman</li> <li>[ ] Communities who live in different locations</li> <li>[ ] Boys who won't do as they're told</li> </ul>  |
| 7. | <ul> <li>Yuri Gagarin was a famous Russian traveller. He was the first human to do what?</li> <li>[ ] To cross the Atlantic Ocean</li> <li>[ ] To walk across America</li> <li>[ ] To go into space</li> <li>[ ] To walk on stilts</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>8. The Sioux Nation is a large group of Native American tribes who were nomads. Why?</li> <li>[ ] They liked a change of scenery</li> <li>[ ] They tracked and hunted bison to live</li> <li>[ ] They were on the run</li> <li>[ ] They didn't get along with many people</li> </ul> |
| 9. | <ul> <li>Ibn Battuta was a great Muslim explorer who covered more than 120,000 kilometres on his travels. Which of the following did not happen to him?</li> <li>[] He hid in a swamp</li> <li>[] He was attacked by pirates</li> <li>[] He was held hostage</li> <li>[] He rode on a unicorn</li> </ul>                    | <ul> <li>10. Marco Polo led expeditions all over the world. He introduced people from Europe to which part of the world?</li> <li>[ ] Greece and the Mediterranean</li> <li>[ ] Central Asia and China</li> <li>[ ] America</li> <li>[ ] France and Germany</li> </ul>                        |



## KS1 History Quiz - Explorers and Travellers (Answers)

| <ol> <li>The Norwegian, Fridtjof Nansen, was the first man to<br/>cross Greenland's ice cap and the Arctic Ocean. He<br/>sailed further north than anyone had been before.<br/>What was named after him?         <ol> <li>A brand of fizzy drink</li> <li>A meteor</li> <li>A soft toy</li> <li>A snow shoe</li> </ol> </li> <li>He was brave but not reckless - he never lost either a single<br/>man or major piece of equipment</li> </ol> | <ul> <li>2. The Roman Army was famous for marching its troops long distances every day. How far could they be made to march?</li> <li>[ ] Up to 400 miles</li> <li>[ ] Up to 4 miles</li> <li>[ ] Up to 10 miles</li> <li>[ x ] Up to 40 miles</li> <li>They would do this wearing heavy kit and without complaint</li> </ul>  |
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| <ul> <li>3. The Vikings were fearsome seafarers who raided and traded across Europe. What does everyone think they wore, which they probably did not?</li> <li>[ ] Silk pyjamas</li> <li>[ ] Spotted pants</li> <li>[ ] Lacey shawls</li> <li>[ x ] Horned helmets</li> <li>Some tribes in the Iron age wore horned helmets but there is no evidence that the Vikings did</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>4. A people from Eastern Europe travelled west and helped to overthrow the Roman Empire. What were they called? <ol> <li>Teddy Boys</li> <li>Rockers</li> <li>Rockers</li> <li>Mods</li> <li>Goths</li> </ol> </li> <li>The word 'Goth' today is used to describe someone who dresses in a particular style, usually in black</li> </ul>                                      |
| <ul> <li>5. Captain Cook discovered more of the earth's surface than anyone else. Where did he die?</li> <li>[ ] Finland</li> <li>[ x ] Hawaii</li> <li>[ ] Australia</li> <li>[ ] Antarctica</li> <li>He was a very bad-tempered man and once ate stew made from the ship's dog!</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>6. What are nomads?</li> <li>[ ] People who like to wear wool</li> <li>[ ] Men who are called Norman</li> <li>[ x ] Communities who live in different locations</li> <li>[ ] Boys who won't do as they're told</li> <li>Some nomadic tribes move from place to place in order for their animals to find food</li> </ul>   |
| <ul> <li>7. Yuri Gagarin was a famous Russian traveller. He was the first human to do what?</li> <li>[ ] To cross the Atlantic Ocean</li> <li>[ ] To walk across America</li> <li>[ x ] To go into space</li> <li>[ ] To walk on stilts</li> <li>His journey started the space race between nations to place the first man on the moon</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>8. The Sioux Nation is a large group of Native American tribes who were nomads. Why? <ol> <li>They liked a change of scenery</li> <li>They tracked and hunted bison to live</li> <li>They were on the run</li> <li>They didn't get along with many people</li> </ol> </li> <li>The Sioux lived in teepees made from long wooden poles and covered with bison hides</li> </ul> |
| <ul> <li>9. Ibn Battuta was a great Muslim explorer who covered more than 120,000 kilometres on his travels. Which of the following did not happen to him?</li> <li>[] He hid in a swamp</li> <li>[] He was attacked by pirates</li> <li>[] He was held hostage</li> <li>[x] He rode on a unicorn</li> <li>He travelled through what would be 44 different countries today</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>10. Marco Polo led expeditions all over the world. He introduced people from Europe to which part of the world? <ol> <li>Greece and the Mediterranean</li> <li>Central Asia and China</li> <li>America</li> <li>France and Germany</li> </ol> </li> <li>He wrote a book about his many adventures and discoveries</li> </ul>  |