



**Explorer**- An explorer travels to new places to find out about them.

**Important person**- A person whose actions and opinions strongly influence the course of events.

**Modern**- Someone who lives in modern times. Current or recent, not ancient.

**Rihla**- An Arabic term of a quest. A way of travel on a journey or voyage.

**Significant**- Is an adjective to describe something / someone as important.

**Aviator** - Some one who flies a plane (pilot)

## Key Question

**Who** are important or significant people and **why** are they important?

**How** are these People Remembered?

**How** can we find out about a significant person?

**Who** was \_\_\_\_\_? **When** did \_\_\_\_\_ live? **What** did \_\_\_\_ do?  
**What** differences can you see?

**Is** there any difference between a modern explorer and a explorer in the past?

## Ibn Battuta



1304- 1368/1377

**Ibn Battuta** was a Moroccan explorer. He is known for the account of his journeys called the **Rihla** ("Voyage"). He travelled for nearly 30 years and covered most of the Islamic world. He also explored West Africa, Southern and Eastern Europe, South Asia, Central Asia, Southeast Asia and China. He is known as one of the greatest travellers in world history.

## (Captain) James Cook



1728 – 1779

**Captain Cook** is considered one of the greatest navigators and explorers of all time and, even before his death, was celebrated as a British national hero and icon. Cook mapped the east coast of Australia – this paved the way for British settlement 18 years later. He also proved some theories to be wrong. Cook proved that there was no great 'Southern Continent' for example. He also collected lots of samples of **flora and fauna** from new places and he recorded customs and interactions with native peoples.

## Amy Johnson



1903 - 1941

**Amy Johnson** was an English **aviator**. She was the first female pilot to fly alone from England to Australia, which she achieved at the age of 26. On 5 May 1930, Amy set off from Croydon in a Gipsy Moth aircraft named 'Jason', and landed in Darwin on 24 May, a flight distance of approximately 11,000 miles.