

Foundations of Global Exploration

History Of Exploration · Answer Key · 8 Questions

1. Which explorer led the first expedition to successfully circumnavigate the globe, completed in 1522?

- A) Ferdinand Magellan**
- B) Vasco da Gama
- C) Christopher Columbus
- D) James Cook

2. In 1911, Roald Amundsen became the first person to reach which geographic location?

- A) The North Pole
- B) The South Pole**
- C) Mount Everest
- D) The Amazon Source

3. What is the name of the highest mountain peak on Earth, first summited in 1953 by Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay?

- A) K2
- B) Kangchenjunga
- C) Mount Everest**
- D) Makalu

4. Which famous explorer's 1804-1806 expedition across North America was commissioned by Thomas Jefferson?

- A) Lewis and Clark**
- B) Zebulon Pike
- C) John C. Frémont
- D) Daniel Boone

5. Amelia Earhart is celebrated in aviation history as the first woman to perform what feat in 1932?

- A) Fly across the Pacific Ocean
- B) Fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean**
- C) Break the sound barrier
- D) Circumnavigate the globe solo

6. Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first humans to set foot on the Moon during which mission?

- A) Apollo 8
- B) Gemini 4
- C) Apollo 11**
- D) Apollo 13

7. Which European explorer reached the Americas in 1492, mistakenly believing he had arrived in the East Indies?

- A) Amerigo Vespucci
- B) John Cabot
- C) Christopher Columbus**
- D) Hernán Cortés

8. In 1960, Jacques Piccard and Don Walsh reached the deepest known point in the Earth's oceans, known as what?

- A) The Mariana Trench**
- B) The Tonga Trench
- C) The Puerto Rico Trench
- D) The Java Trench