



What I should already know:

About historical events from the past including the gunpowder plot and the Great Fire of London. About different types of transport and how it has changed over time.

At the end of this topic, I will know:

What an explorer is including the qualities and attributes an explorer may have.

About the life of Ellen MacArthur, including who she is and her solo sail around the world

About the life of Neil Armstrong, including who he is, the moon landing and other key people involved in the Apollo 11 mission.

About Ellen MacArthur and Neil Armstrong's impact on the world and why they are remembered today.

How the explorers are similar and different from each other by comparing their lives and achievements.

Year 2 History: Great Explorers

Key Facts:

Neil Armstrong (1930 - 2012)



Born in 1930 in the state of Ohio, USA.
He was an astronaut who travelled to space.
He was the first man to walk on the moon on 21st July 1969.
He travelled to space in a rocket called 'Saturn V Rocket'. This was the first spacecraft to land on the moon.



He gathered materials from the moon to bring back to Earth for scientific research.
He successfully completed the Apollo 11 mission to 'perform a manned lunar landing and return'
He died in 2012 aged 82.

Ellen MacArthur (1976 – present)



Born in 1976 in Derbyshire, UK.
Her greatest achievement was sailing solo around the world in 2004. After 71 days, she had sailed over 26,000 miles and broke the world record as the fastest person to sail around the whole world alone.
The day after, Queen Elizabeth II bestowed the title 'Dame' on her.
She retired from sailing in 2010 and launched the Ellen MacArthur Foundation which aims to eliminate waste in the environment.

Vocabulary

History	The study of the past to understand how people and society behaved.
Explorer	A person who travels to a new, unfamiliar or dangerous place.
Voyage	A long journey that involves travelling by sea or in space.
Sailor	A person who travels in a boat.
Astronaut	A person who is specially trained to travel to outer space.
Gravity	An invisible force that pulls objects towards each other. Earth's gravity is what keeps you on the ground and makes things fall.
NASA	Responsible for science and technology related to air and space.
Mission	An important job given to a person or group of people.
Regolith	Materials such as dust, soil and broken rock covering solid rock.
Discovery	The action of finding something.
Achievements	A thing done successfully with effort, skill or courage.
Significant	Something great or important to be worthy of attention and knowing about.
Commemorate	To celebrate and remember a person or event.
Retired	A person who has stopped working permanently.

Apollo 11 crew members.
Neil Armstrong, Michael Collins
and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin.



Moon landing.
"That's one small step for man
and a giant leap for mankind."

