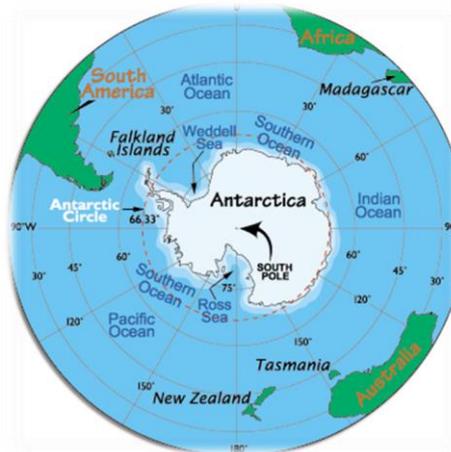


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INFORMATION ABOUT ROBERT FALCON SCOTT

Captain Robert Falcon Scott was born in Devon in 1868 and became an officer in the Royal Navy. He led two expeditions to Antarctica. The first took place between 1901 - 1904. In 1910, he sailed out for his second voyage there. The purpose of the expeditions was to find out more about the animals, the weather and the land of Antarctica. Scott and his fellow explorers also wanted to be the first to reach the South Pole. When they finally reached the South Pole on 17-18th January 1912, they discovered that a team of Norwegian explorers led by Roald Amundsen had already reached the South Pole before them! Scott and his explorers then had to travel 800 miles back across Antarctica. Unfortunately, they never made it back home and tragically they all died in Antarctica because of the freezing temperatures and ice. Many months later, a search party found their bodies, wrapped them in their tent and buried them in the snow. Captain Scott kept a diary to record what was happening for the entire journey through the Antarctic.



KEY QUESTIONS:

- Who was Robert Falcon Scott?
- Why is he famous?
- How many times did he travel to Antarctica? When did he do this?
- Why did he want to explore Antarctica?
- Did he reach the South Pole first? If not, who got there first?
- How many miles did they have to travel back from the South Pole?
- What eventually happened to Robert Falcon Scott and his explorers?
- How do we know so much about their journey to the South Pole?

By the end of the topic I will:

- Know who Robert Falcon Scott was.
- Be able to discuss Robert Falcon Scott's achievements and what he is most famous for.
- Understand what the Antarctic is like and how difficult it was for the explorers to reach the South Pole.
- Have learnt about the life of a significant individual from the past who has contributed to national and international achievements.

How to help your child at home

- Look at information books or use the internet to find more out about Robert Falcon Scott and his exploration of Antarctica.
- Find out if anyone else has been to the South Pole since Robert Falcon Scott.
- Research if modern day explorers would use the same equipment and means of transport to get to the South Pole that Robert Falcon Scott used in 1912?

Key vocabulary

Antarctic	The Antarctic is in the far south and covers the continent of Antarctica.
Antarctica	Antarctica is a continent in the far south.
South Pole	The southern end of the earth's axis.
Explorer	A person who explores a new or unfamiliar area.
Voyage	A long journey involving travel by sea
Expedition	A journey undertaken by a group of people with a particular purpose.
Royal Navy	The part of the armed services which conducts military operations at sea.
Diary	A diary is a personal record of thoughts, feelings and events.