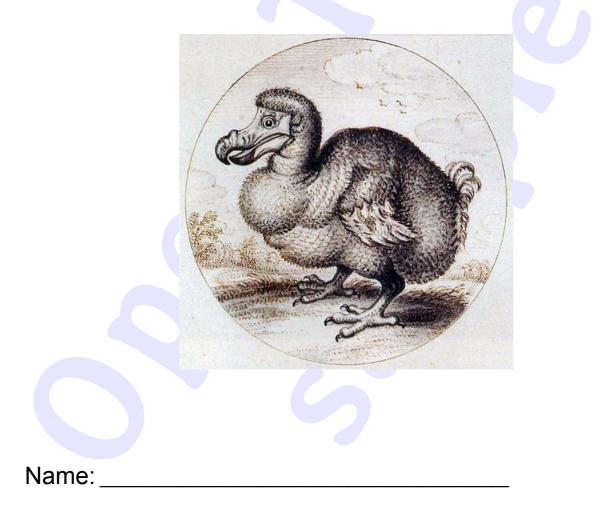
## Exploring Africa and South America

# Year 4 History, Geography, Science



## Africa and South America

Work on the maps on the following 2 pages.

Label the following regions of Africa and colour them in according to the colours given:

Sahara Desert	yellow
Sahel	red
African Savannah	light green
Equatorial Forest	dark green
Atlas Mountains	brown

Label the following regions of South America and colour them in according to the colours given:

Amazon	Basin	dark	green
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Pampas purple

Andes Mountains brown

Label the River Nile and the Amazon River.

Put in North Arrows on the maps of Africa and South America.

Label the country of **Cameroon** in Africa, where the Bantu languages may have originated.

Some of the countries in the Savannah region where Bantu-speaking people moved with their crops and animals are:

and

The Bantu-speaking people reached South Africa 5,000 / 1,700 / 100 years ago.

Mark Great Zimbabwe on the map of Africa.

Show a possible route for the Egyptian expedition to 'Punt'.

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### Europe and the 'Age of Discovery'

Which European country started exploring for a new route to the East first?

What did they need to do to be able to go far enough?

Who was the person that most helped these explorations get going?

Draw an early European explorer ship here:

The Europeans wanted to trade spices / chocolate / gold from Asia because they liked to travel / they were curious / they wanted to be part of the trade directly / they wanted to take over the world.

People could make a lot of money with this trade, but it was dangerous because of: Circle all the words that apply

sea monsters	falling off the edge of the world
pirates	sickness
snakes	poisons
not being able to swim	bad weather

The Treaty of Tordesillas was between the countries of	and
It divided the Earth into	spheres of
influence. The line ran through part of the continent of	
Name some of the countries on the West side of the line:	
Name some of the countries on the East side of the line:	

How much attention did the rest of the world pay to this Treaty? Give an example to explain your answer.

What was the first country visited by Europeans in South America?

They got here because they wanted to find South America / they were trying to get the best conditions to get to the Cape of Good Hope / they were just exploring / they wanted to be famous.

Who was the first European to sail through to the Pacific Ocean South of South America?

What country was he sailing for?

What area of sea did he use to travel through to the Pacific? (It is named after him)

## **Explorer Research**

Background research.

The first part of the research project is to provide background information about the explorer you have chosen. To do this you need to answer a series of questions about them.

What is their name? Where and when were they born? What country/countries employed them as an explorer? For what things are they remembered in history? What countries/parts of the world did they visit?

Write down any other questions that you think provide relevant basic information and their answers here:

Think about what pictures best represent these facts.

#### **Environments Encountered**

What environments did this explorer encounter?

How were these environments important to the people and animals that lived there?

What characteristics of these environments were useful to the indigenous people?

Draw a life cycle of an animal from an environment encountered by your explorer here:

How will you include this information in your presentation?

#### **Environmental Impact**

What happened to these environments after Europeans arrived?

What are those environments like now?
Choose one extinct animal to highlight in your presentation.
Name of extinct animal:
Came from:
Reasons it went extinct:
How could we manage the environment differently now so that animals don't go extinct?
How can Science help us manage environments sustainably?

How will you include this information in your presentation?

#### **Indigenous Inhabitants**

Choose one indigenous group from the area visited by your explorer.

Write their name here:
How were they different from the explorer?
How were they similar to the explorer?
How did indigenous people manage the natural resources?
Did they have waste? If yes, how did they manage it?
What happened to the indigenous people after the Europeans arrived?

How will you include this information in your presentation?