

**Exploring World History**  
**Famous World Explorers**

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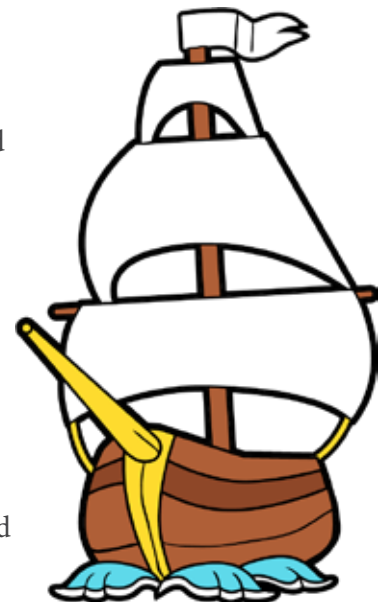
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**DIRECTIONS:** Write the number of the explorer next to what he is famous for having accomplished.

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| 7. COOK, James        | 20. PIZARRO, Francisco |
| 8. CORTES, Hernan     | 21. POLO, Marco        |
| 9. COUSTEAU, Jacques  | 22. PONCE DE LEON,     |
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- First to reach the summit of Mount Everest.
- First to walk on the moon.
- Led expeditions throughout Asia, the Middle East and East Africa.
- Accompanied Lewis and Clark as an interpreter and guide.
- Explored the South Pacific and the Hawaiian Islands.

- First to journey into outer space.
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- Explorer and conservationist who studied undersea life.
- First European to cross the Mississippi.
- Frontiersman and pioneer who blazed the Wilderness Road through the Appalachians.
- Explored the Pacific coast of South America and conquered the Incan Empire.
- First to reach the South Pole.
- Explored and mapped what is now Canada.
- Led the expedition that caused the fall of the Aztec Empire.
- First European to land in North America.
- Introduced Europeans to Central Asia and China through his explorations and writing.
- Explored North America and established New France and Quebec City.
- First to plan a successful expedition to circumnavigate the globe.
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