



James Cook Scavenger Hunt – World Book Kids

Learn about one of the greatest explorers in history, Captain James Cook.

Find It!

1. When and where was James Cook born?

2. How many voyages did James Cook make from Britain to the Pacific Ocean?

3. How many times did James Cook sail around the world?

4. Look at the map located in the article to answer these questions:

i) Following the arrows, where did all of James Cook's voyages begin?

ii) Name all the places Cook passed on his first voyage to the Pacific. (Hint: follow the green arrows).

iii) Name all the oceans Cook sailed through on his second voyage to the Pacific. (Hint: follow the red arrows).

iv) On Cook's third voyage the arrows stop in Hawaii. Why? (Hint: answer is in the article).

v) Look at the dates on the map showing the length of Cook's voyages. How long was he away from home each trip?

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Answer Key

1. England in 1728.
2. 3 voyages.
3. Twice.
4. Map:
 - i) England.
 - ii) Europe, Africa, South America, Tahiti, New Zealand and Australia.
 - iii) Atlantic, Southern, and Pacific oceans.
 - iv) Cook was killed by islanders while looking for a man who had stolen a boat from his ship.
 - v) Approximately 3 years each voyage.