

**Antarctica STUDENT Worksheet**

Did you know that Antarctica is colder than the icy region of the Arctic Ocean centred on the North Pole? Learn more about Antarctica on World Book Online.

Go to [www.worldbookonline.com](http://www.worldbookonline.com) Click on **Student **

Type *Antarctica* in the search box in World Book Student.

Click on the Antarctica article and answer the question below.

1. What is unique about Antarctica?

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Scroll down to section *Geography/Land* and answer the question below.

2. What is the highest point in Antarctica?

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Scroll down to section *Geography/Ice* and answer the question below.

3. What is the process called when the ice reaches the coast, breaks off to form icebergs that are then carried out to sea?

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Scroll down to section *Ocean* and answer the question below.

4. Each winter, the surface of the Southern Ocean freezes into a sheet of salty ice. What is this sheet of ice called?

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Scroll down to section *Climate* and answer the question below.

5. What was the world’s lowest temperature recorded by scientists on July 21, 1983?

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Scroll down to section *Living Things* and answer the question below.

6. What is the most common penguin found in Antarctica?

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Scroll down to section *Exploration/The “Heroic Era”* and answer the questions below.

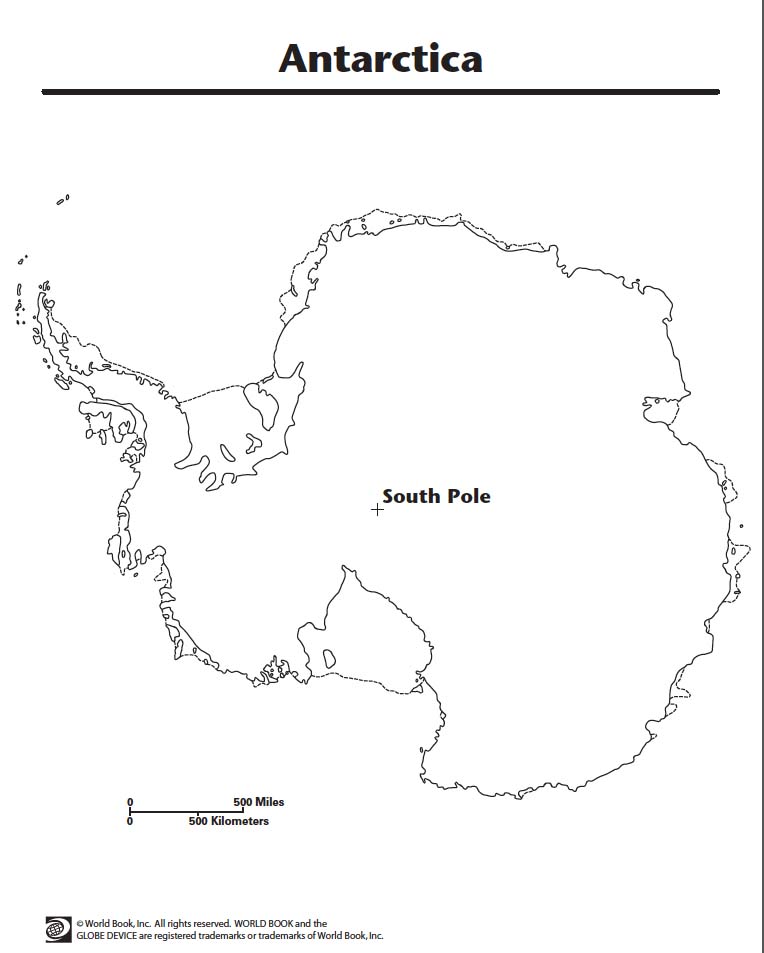
7. Who were the two explorers racing to be the first to reach the South Pole?

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8. Who reached the South Pole first?

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| Click on the **MEDIA** tab and click on **Antarctica territorial claims** map. |

9. On the map of Antarctica below mark in the territorial claims.



Click on the **RELATED INFORMATION** tab and under **Biographies** click on **Mawson, Sir Douglas** article. Scroll down to section *Second Antarctic expedition and read the information box in the exploration map* to find the answer the question below.

10. What tragedy occurred in December 1912 during the 1911 – 14 Australasian Antarctic Expedition?

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