

History

The journey of Drake

Book: Exploring the Tudor Age of Discovery

Pages 8-15

Students: Fill in the answers and return for assessment

Everything here is based on our Curriculum Visions book Exploring the Tudor Age of Discovery.

In this segment, we are going to explore the Golden Hind and the journey of Sir Francis Drake.

You will need to go to pages 8-9 of the book.

Part 1

The Golden Hind was 21 metres long. In pairs or as a group, use a tape measure or measuring stick to measure out 21 metres in length. How do you think you would feel living for months or years in a space that size with 83 people in it?

Answer ...

Students' own answers.

Now turn to pages 10-11 of the book.

Part 2

What was Sir Francis Drake sent to do in 1577?

Answer ...

To claim land along the Pacific coast of North America before the Spanish could get it.

Part 3

How many ships did Drake leave with? How many men did he have with him?

What happened to the ships Drake left with?

Answer ...

Drake had 5 ships and 160 men.

Of the ships: the Pelican was renamed the Golden Hind, two ships became unseaworthy crossing the Atlantic (the Swan and the Benedict), the Marygold sank, and the Elizabeth returned to England. Only the Golden Hind completed the trip.

Now turn to pages 12-15 of the book.

Part 4

When did Drake reach what is now California? What did he do next?
How many men did he have left when he returned home?

Answer ...

June 17, 1579

He sailed west across the Pacific to the spice islands. Then, around the Cape of Good Hope to Sierra Leone and back to Plymouth.

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Part 5

On a map of the world, mark out Drake's journey and write in the dates that he arrived in each location.

Answer ...

Students' own answers.

That is the end of this worksheet, and you can now turn to another one. Also, find out if your teacher has left you any other worksheets or special instructions on your school website.

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