

HISTORY_{Year 9}

CAPTAIN JAMES COOK MAN OF THE ENLIGHTENMENT

Worksheet 5

James Cook – Man of the Enlightenment

Q1. There had been centuries of Anglo-French rivalry. What did this culminate in?

Q2. What action by the French prompted the British government to put together the First Fleet? And when was that ?

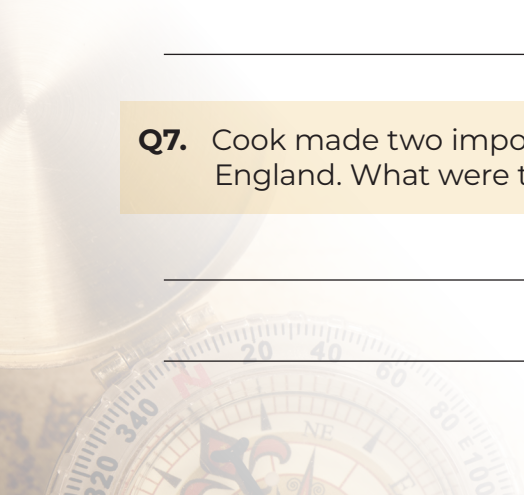
Q3. Cook was born to a wealthy aristocratic English family. True or False?

Q4. Cook departed Plymouth England on the flat bottom boat called the _____
in the year _____ on the first of his _____ voyages of discovery.

Q5. Who was the other significant person onboard with Captain Cook and what was his role?

Q6. What was the purpose of the expedition?

Q7. Cook made two important discoveries in 1770 that he kept secret until his return to England. What were they and why did he keep them under wraps?



Q8. Cook promoted Australia as a great place for a colony – true or false?

Q9. What prompted the First Fleet? Who led it? Who was hot on their heels and by how much?

Q10. On his second voyage, Cook expressed concerns about European expansion. Fill in the gaps of this direct quote from Cook:

"We introduce among them wants and perhaps _____ which they never before knew, and which serves only to disturb that _____ tranquility they and their _____ had enjoy'd. If anyone denies the truth of this assertion, let him tell me that th e _____ of the whole extent of _____ have gained by the commerce they have had with _____."

Q11. Was Captain Cook part of the First Fleet expedition? If so, what was his role? If not, where was he? What was he doing at that time?

Q12. A statue honoring Captain Cook was unveiled in Hyde Park. When did this happen and how many people turned up?

