Gilbert White's House Antarctic Explorers Resource Pack



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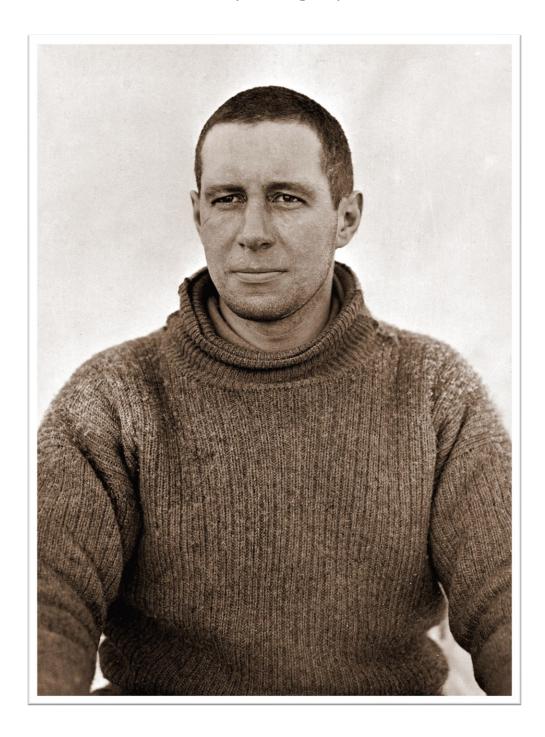
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Activity 1

What can a photograph tell us?

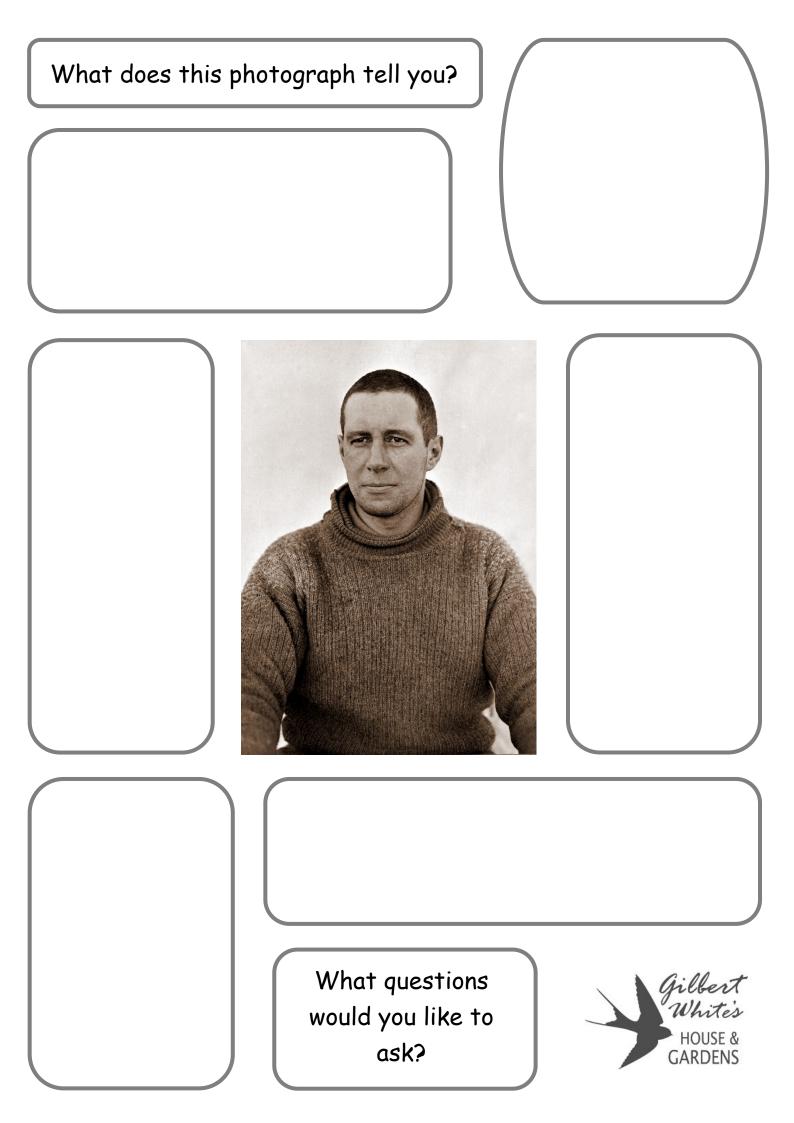


What can a photograph tell us?



- 1. What do we know about this man?
- 2. What does this picture tell us about him?
- 3. What don't we know?
- 4. What do you think he is thinking or feeling?
- 5. What questions would we like to ask him?





Activity 2

Scott's Antarctic Expedition 1910 – 1913





When did Captain Lawrence
Oates travel to Antarctica
with Captain Robert Falcon
Scott?

They left in 1910 and arrived in Antarctica on the 4th January 1911.





What was the name of Captain Scott's ship?

The Terra Nova





Why did Captain Scott travel to Antarctica?

Although Scott wanted to be the first man to reach the South Pole, the most important reason for his expedition was scientific research as very little was known about the Antarctic.





Why was Captain Scott disappointed when he arrived at the South Pole?

Because the Norwegian explorer Roald

Amundsen had reached the South Pole a month

before him.





How many times did Scott visit Antarctica?

Twice. The first time between 1901 and 1904 and the second time in 1911.





How many miles did Scott and his team have to travel to reach the South Pole?

Scott and his team had to travel 900 miles from their base camp to the South Pole.





Why did Scott's expedition fail?

Scott's expedition failed for a number of reasons. Unexpectedly the weather was extremely bad. They did not have enough rations and they decided that 5 not 4 men would travel to the South Pole.





How did Scott and his team travel from their base camp to the South Pole?

They walked and pulled their own sledges. They used dogs for part of the journey and took ponies but the ponies were not strong or fit enough. They also took motor sledges but they broke down.



Did everyone die during Scott's expedition to Antarctica?

There were over 31 men in the landing party that went to Antarctica with Scott. They included scientists who went to explore and study different areas of Antarctica. They did not all travel with Scott to the South Pole.





What did they eat when they travelled to the South Pole?

They ate pemmican: a mixture of dried beef, fat and water. They also ate lots of biscuits and butter and sometimes pony meat.





What clothes did they wear in Antarctica?

Scott and his men wore layers of woollen clothing, mittens, leather or reindeer fur boots and goggles. They had special wind proof and water-resistant outer-wear made of woven cotton.





Why did Scott accept Captain
Lawrence Oates application to
join his expedition to
Antarctica?

He wanted Oates to look after the ponies.





Scott's Expedition to Antarctica

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8. How did Scott and his team travel from their base camp to the South Pole and what happened?				
9 . I	Did everyone die during Scott's expedition to Antarctica?			
	a. Yes or No?			
	b. Can you add any other information?			
10.	What clothes did they wear in Antarctica?			
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Activity 3

What do we know about Antarctica?





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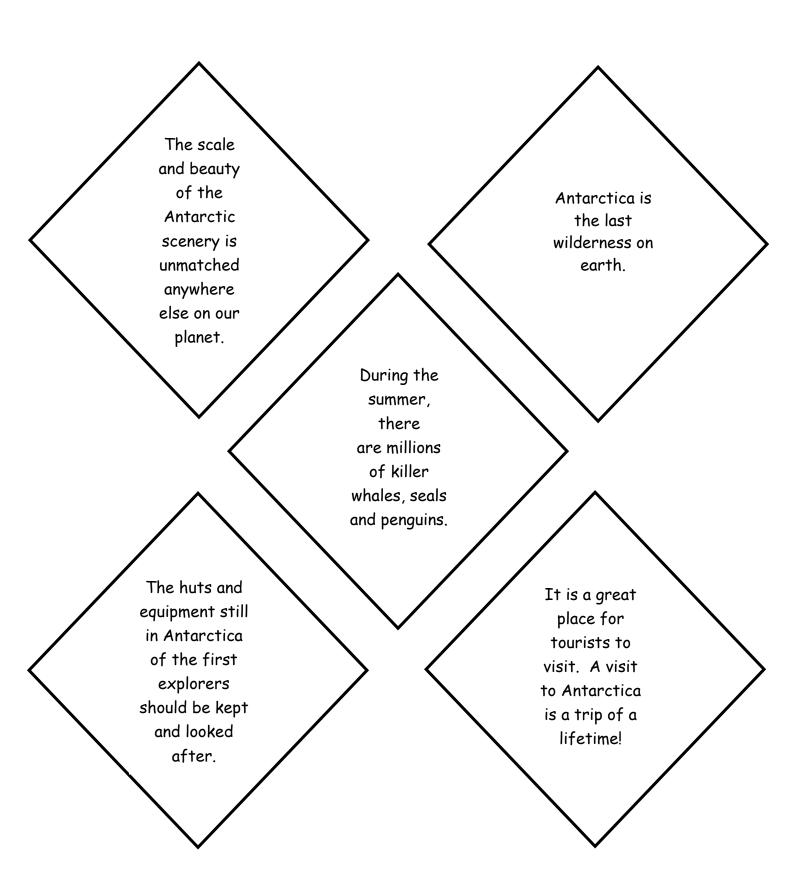
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1	Antarctica is a country.		
2	Antarctica is a desert.		
3	Polar bears live in Antarctica.		
4	Antarctica is the coldest, windiest and most remote continent on Earth.		
5	Each year approximately 5,000 tourists visit Antarctica.		
6	Norway owns the Antarctica because the Norwegian, Roald Amundsen, was the first person to reach the South Pole on December 14, 1911.		
7	Eighteen countries have scientific stations on Antarctica and scientists and researchers who work there all year round.		
8	There are approximately 1 million penguins in Antarctica.		



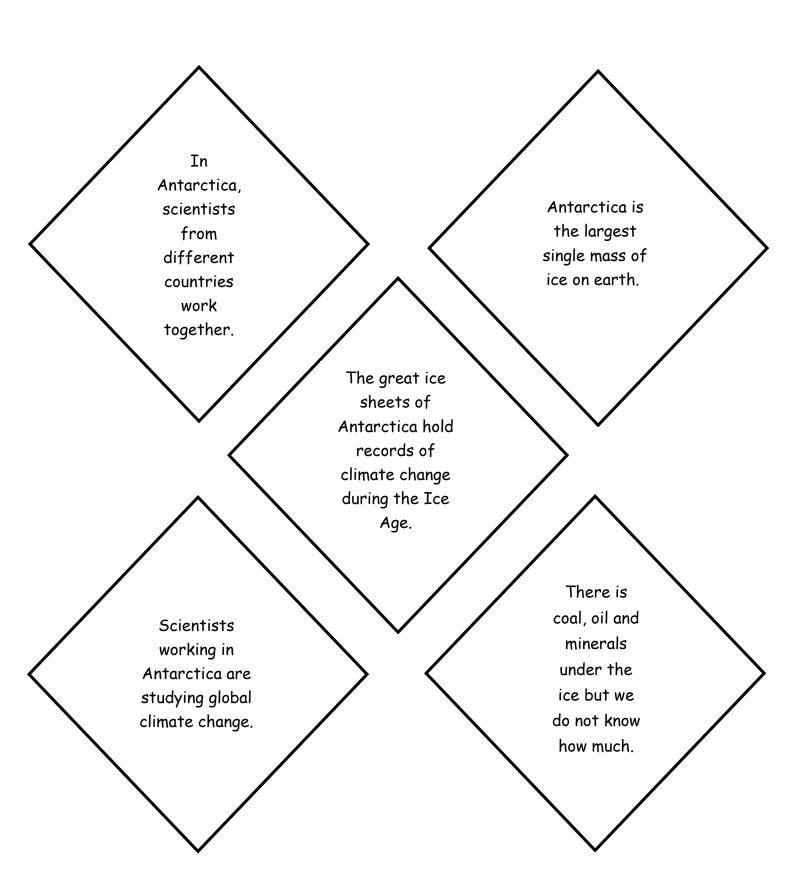
Activity 4

Why does Antarctica matter today?











Activity 2

Who's in charge of Antarctica today?



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Label the map with the following countries using the key to help you.

Chile United Kingdom France Australia Argentina Norway New Zealand

