

BATTUTA AND ARMSTRONG

Ibn Battuta and Neil Armstrong: Both men were explorers in different periods of history and achieved recognition for their successes.

Key Information:

- Ibn Battuta was born in 1304 in Tangier, Morocco.
- He is famous for exploring the Dar-al-Islam, the Muslim areas of Africa, Europe and Asia.
- He rode camels and horses, and walked to 44 different countries, travelling an estimated 75,000 miles during a 29 year period.
- Neil Armstrong was born in 1930 in Ohio.
- On July 20 1969 he became the first man to walk on the Moon.
- Apollo 11 was the spaceflight that first landed man on the Moon.
- His famous quote is 'One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind'.

How do we know? Evidence

Both explorers were famous and their lives have been documented in reports, accounts, maps, radio and TV recordings.

Vocabulary

Battuta	was a Berber scholar and explorer who travelled extensively in the lands of Afro- Eurasia, largely in the Muslim world
Armstrong	(1930-2012) was the first astronaut to walk on the moon (1969). He was commander of NASA's Apollo 11 mission
Voyage	a long journey by ship, but later also applied to space exploration
Recognition	the earning of respect for an achievement
Achievement	something done successfully
Explorer	people who travel to unknown place to investigate what they are like
Uncharted	an area of the Earth (or Space) that is not mapped nor surveyed.
Significant	worthy of attention, important
Timeline	a list of historical events in the chronological order (oldest first) in which they happened



National Curriculum:

• the lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. Some should be used to compare aspects of life in different periods