

Year Group 2
Summer

Knowledge Organiser: History

Theme: Globetrotters



By the end of this unit:

You will know the legacy of Matthew Alexander Henson

How will you be using your skill of understanding concepts?

You will use your enquiry skills to find out about Matthew Henson

You will look at different sources such as artefacts, pictures and videos

What have I learnt already:

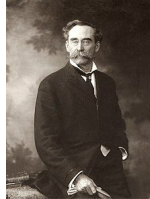
You have used your enquiry skills to find out about other significant figures in history such as Sir Christopher Wren & George Washington Carver

Key knowledge that will be learnt

Matthew Henson (1886-1905)



Robert Peary



Matthew Alexander Henson was an African American explorer who accompanied Robert Peary on seven voyages to the Arctic over a period of nearly 23 years. They spent a total of 18 years on expeditions together.

Expedition to North Pole



Matthew Henson claimed to be the first person to reach the North Pole. He trained his fellow explorers on how to survive in the wild.

Matthew Henson's Legacy



His bravery and determination helped to inspire many others to explore the globe and develop a love for the planet.

Something to think about!



Why is he not as well known as his friend, Robert Peary? Is that fair?

Key Vocabulary:

expedition	A long journey or trip for a specific purpose
explorer	Someone who goes to find out more about a place or area
globe	A model of the earth
globetrotter	Someone who travels around the world.
travel	Going from one place to another

