



Peter Gladwin School

Topic: Into The Unknown

Years 5 & 6



## Key Vocabulary

## Map of Shackleton's journey

## Key People

### Endurance

A three-masted wooden vessel in which Sir Ernest Shackleton sailed for the Antarctic on the 1914 Imperial Transantarctic Expedition.

The ability to withstand hardship or adversity, especially the ability to sustain a prolonged stressful effort or activity.

### Pack ice

A large area of ice floating in the sea, formed by smaller pieces freezing together.

### Glacier

A huge mass of ice and snow, often moving very slowly down from a mountain top

### Navigate

To move through a particular course in an unfamiliar area

### Expedition

A journey undertaken by a group of people with a particular purpose

### Longitude

Imaginary lines down the globe that measure how many degrees East or West of the Greenwich/ Prime Meridian (Greenwich, London) a place is

### Latitude

Imaginary lines around the globe that measure how many degrees North or South of the equator a place is

### Crevasse

A deep crack in ice.

### Precipice

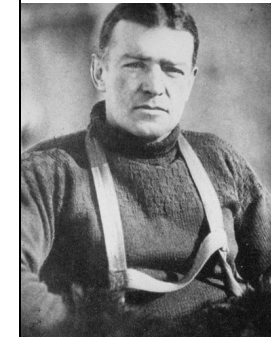
A cliff with a vertical face.

### Climate change

Big change in the weather over a long time, now made worse by human pollution.



### Ernest Shackleton



An explorer who in 1914, chartered an expedition to Antarctica. Disaster struck when his ship, the Endurance, was crushed by ice. He and his crew drifted on sheets of ice for months until they reached Elephant Island. Shackleton eventually

rescued his crew, all of whom survived the ordeal. He later died while setting out on another Antarctic expedition.

## Climate Change



Scientists think glaciers are melting because of human activities, especially the burning of fossil fuels which has increased the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere leading to global warming. In the past 100 years, sea levels have risen by 20cm due to melting ice.



Shackleton had a crew of 26 men, including Frank Worsley (the Ship's captain), Frank Wild (Second-in-command), Tom Crean (Second Officer), He also took 69 dogs.

## Endurance Timeline

3<sup>rd</sup> Aug 1914  
WW1 breaks out

8<sup>th</sup> Aug 1914  
Endurance leaves  
Britain

5<sup>th</sup> Dec 1914  
Leave South  
Georgia Island

18<sup>th</sup> Jan 1915  
Enter pack ice

24<sup>th</sup> Feb 1915  
Ship routine ceased

24<sup>th</sup> Feb 1915  
Ship cracks under pressure of ice, takes on  
water, abandoned by crew

30<sup>th</sup> Aug 1916  
Crew rescued on  
fourth attempt

9<sup>th</sup> May 1916  
Arrive at South  
Georgia

24<sup>th</sup> Apr 1916  
Five leave on  
lifeboat to seek help

18<sup>th</sup> Apr 1916  
Arrived at Elephant  
Island

9<sup>th</sup> Apr 1916  
Set off on foot

Mar 1916  
Attempts to move  
camp failed

21<sup>st</sup> Nov 1915  
Ship sinks

