

SHACKLETON'S JOURNEY – KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER.

CONTEXT – First Published in 2014.

ABOUT THE BOOK:

With a collection of beautiful illustrations, this book takes the reader on Shackleton's journey. Readers get a chance to meet his crew, ponder the tough questions he had to face and make the decisions that could go down in history...

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

As well as being a talented author, William Grill is an artist and illustrator. Although based in London, he draws his inspiration from all over the world, favouring nature scenes and cityscapes.

KEY VOCAB:

Navy, Flag, Discover, Knighted, Trek, Explorer, Antarctica, South Pole/ Blizzard/ Dehydration/ Rations/ Blubber/ Capsize/ Scurvy/ Compass/ Frostbite/ Crevasse/ Gale/ Pack Ice Glacier/ Precipice/ Winter Months

GRAMMAR:

Semi-colons for clauses / Semi-colons for a list
Colons for clauses / Colons for a list
Correctly punctuated speech
Sentence types (Simple/ Complex/ Compound)
Modal verbs
Standard English

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

- Sir Ernest Henry Shackleton, (15 February 1874 – 5 January 1922) was a polar explorer.
- He led three British expeditions to the Antarctic.
- Later in his life, Shackleton decided on a new adventure: to walk across Antarctica from one side to the other crossing the South Pole in the middle.
- Disaster struck however when his ship, Endurance, was trapped in the ice.
- They spent 281 days on board waiting for the ice to break again, but the boat was slowly crushed to pieces.
- In April 1916, Shackleton and four others sailed hundreds of miles to South Georgia to get help at the whaling station there.

KEY THEMES: – A message/ idea/ image that runs throughout the story.

DETERMINATION:

The recount tells a tale of determination, motivation and perseverance. Shackleton faced many challenges but managed to overcome them...

TEAM-WORK:

It is clear from the start that Shackleton and his crew were close. Without each of the crew members, it is possible that some of the crew may not have made it home.

