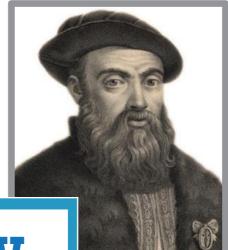
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Ferdinand Magellan

by Katie Clark

Ferdinand Magellan was an explorer from

Portugal. He lived over five hundred years ago. He is
credited with being the first European to sail
completely around the globe—an amazing
accomplishment!



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et to these places. This

was because the lands and the seas were controlled by enemy nations. If Europeans wanted easier access to these treasures, they needed to find another way.

Explorers such as Christopher Columbus had already discovered the new world called the American continent. However, no one had yet discovered a westward passage from Europe to Asia.

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Ferdinand determined that he could accomplish this amazing mission. First, he went to the rulers of his home country, Portugal. The king refused to help him.

Next, Ferdinand went to the rulers of Spain. This time he was successful. The rulers agreed to fund his trip. He was given five ships, and they set sail on September 20, 1519. They sailed south toward Africa, then they headed southwest toward the tip of South America. The journey was long. It took many months.

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There was much excitement. Ferdinand had proved that Europeans could reach the Asian lands by sailing westward! He sent a message to the king of Spain to tell him

what he had found. Then, he continued exploring the islands in the area.

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This ended up being a bad choice. During a fight with the native people, Ferdinand was killed in battle.

His people were left to return to Spain without him. There were now only two ships, and the journey would be dangerous. On their way back, one of the ships became ruined. It could no longer sail. Now there was only one ship left out of five to get back to Spain.

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Ferdinand Magellan

- 1) Which is the main idea of the passage?
 - a. The turmoils that Magellan and team were confronted with during his journey
 - b. How Magellan discovered a westward passage from Europe to Asia
 - c. The tragic death of Magellan
 - d. Magellan's endeavors to help Europeans gain access to Asian spices.
- 2) Why was it important for the Europeans to find another way to the 'Spice Islands'?



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Ferdinand Magellan

- 5) Find out which words from the passage mean the definitions a to f.
 - a. direct the course of a ship
 - b. a person who discovers a new place
 - c. a group of people who work on a ship
 - d. a person who betrays someone or something
 - e. to leave some and an acceptance who had a sount on your
 - f. a narrow passa

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