

Match

1- A hard trip to find out where something starts

2- A long journey to explain something new

3- Two explorers from different countries travel together

A

Vasco da Gama

Vasco da Gama was a Portuguese explorer. In 1497, he was the first person to **sail** from Europe to India. What was so special about his journey? He found a way by sea that was safer than other routes by land. Ahmad ibn Mäjid was a very famous Arab explorer who helped Vasco da Gama on his long journey. Ibn Mäjid had a special name – the 'lion of the sea'!



B

Ibn Fadlan

In 921, Ibn Fadlan travelled from Baghdad to Bulgaria. Why did he **travel** so far? He wanted to tell people about the Islamic religion and help them to understand Islamic laws. How far did he travel? More than 4000 kilometres! He wrote a **diary** about his journey, and about the people he met.



C

Richard Burton and John Speke

Richard Burton and John Speke were two British explorers. In 1857 they travelled to Africa. It was a very **difficult** and **dangerous** journey. So why did they do it? They wanted to find the start of the River Nile! Now people know that the River Nile starts at Lake Victoria, in Tanzania and Uganda.

