



Name: Class: Date:

Famous explorer

Captain James Cook is (0) **remembered** today for being one of Britain's most famous explorers of the 18th century. Cook was (1)_____ most other explorers of the same period as he did not come from a wealthy family and had to work hard to (2)_____ his position in life. He was lucky to be (3)_____ by his father's employer, who saw that he was a bright boy and paid for him to attend the village school. At sixteen, he started (4)_____ in a shop in a fishing village, and this was a turning (5)_____ in his life. He developed an interest in the sea and eventually joined the Royal Navy in order to see more of the world.

Cook was (6)_____ by sailing, astronomy and the production of maps, and quickly became an expert in these subjects. He was also one of the first people to (7)_____ that scurvy, an illness often suffered by sailors, could be prevented by careful (8)_____ to diet. It was during his (9)_____ to the Pacific Ocean that Cook made his historic landing in Australia and the (10)_____ discovery that New Zealand was two (11)_____ islands. He became a national hero and still (12)_____ one today.

1. A. different	B. contrary	C. distinct	D. unlike
2. A. manage	B. succeed	C. glanced	D. fulfill
3. A. remarked	B. viewed	C. developed	D. noticed
4. A. trade	B. work	C. career	D. job
5. A. moment	B. instant	C. point	D. mark
6. A. keen	B. eager	C. fascinated	D. enthusiastic
7. A. regard	B. estimate	C. catch	D. realise
8. A. attention	B. organisation	C. observation	D. selection
9. A. travel	B. voyage	C. excursion	D. tour
10. A. serious	B. superior	C. major	D. leading
11. A. shared	B. particular	C. common	D. separate
12. A. remains	B. stands	C. maintains	D. keeps
13. A. different	B. contrary	C. distinct	D. unlike
14. A. manage	B. succeed	C. glanced	D. fulfill