

**1 ACTIVATE** Match the dates, nationalities, and areas of exploration to the people shown in the pictures.

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| 1934–1968 | 1903–1941  | 1910–1997 |
| 1868–1926 | 1866–1955  | 1914–1986 |
| Soviet    | British    | French    |
| American  | British    | Nepalese  |
| desert    | the Arctic | space     |
| air       | sea        | mountains |



1 Amy Johnson

1903–1941

British

air



2 Jacques Cousteau

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3 Matthew Henson

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4 Yuri Gagarin

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5 Tenzing Norgay

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6 Gertrude Bell

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**2 IDENTIFY** Work in pairs. Match the sentences (a–f) to the people in Exercise 1 (1–6). Then discuss the meaning of the words in bold.

- a He was a **pioneer** in marine exploration and filmmaking, making the first French underwater film and helping to develop modern diving techniques.
- b She was a brilliant **aviator**, being the first woman to fly solo from Britain to Australia.
- c He was the first human to go into outer space and around the Earth, completing an **orbit** on April 12, 1961.
- d She explored many areas of the Middle East, making friends and developing strong bonds with many **leaders** there.
- e He made several **voyages** to the Arctic and was part of one of the first teams to reach the Geographic North Pole.
- f He is one of the most famous climbers in history and the first person to reach the **summit** of Mount Everest.