

Arctic Explorers

Robert Peary

Robert Peary was the first person to reach the North Pole. He went there 1909. Some people say he didn't quite make it. We will never know!

Ann Bancroft

Ann Bancroft was born in America. She was the first woman to reach both poles. She was the first woman to ski across Greenland. She was the first woman to ski across Antarctica. She did it with Liv Arnesen. She now helps other women to explore Earth.

I: Why won't we ever know if Robert Peary made it to the North Pole?

R: Where was Ann Bancroft born?

Greenland America Antarctica

S: How does Ann Bancroft help other people?

Sir Edmund Hillary

Sir Edmund Hillary is most famous for climbing Mount Everest. He was the first person to do it. He climbed it in 1953. He reached the South Pole in 1958. He flew to the North Pole in 1985. The astronaut Neil Armstrong went with him. He was the first person to do all three.

V: Which word tells you that lots of people know about Sir Edmund Hillary?

Roald Amundsen

Roald Amundsen was the first person to reach the South Pole. He reached it in 1911. He also reached the North Pole. He was the first man to reach both poles. He died in 1928 after disappearing in the Arctic.

Børge Ousland

Børge Ousland reached the North Pole in 1994. He did it on his own. He was the first man to reach the pole without any support. He got married in 2012. His wedding was at the North Pole!

R: Who was the first person to reach the South Pole?

Roald Amundsen

Børge Ousland

Robert Peary

S: Why is it surprising that Børge Ousland got married at the North Pole?

V: What does it mean if Børge Ousland reached the pole without support?



Robert Peary - The first man to reach the North Pole

Answers

I: It was too long ago

R: America

S: She helps other women to explore Earth

V: Famous

R: Roald Amundsen

S: It is so far away from anywhere/it is an unusual place to get married

V: He didn't have anybody with him