

English Homework Year 3&4

Rewrite these sentences using the correct punctuation.

1. fred and brett spent a week in spain

2. i must not tramp on the flowers

3. i kept bumping into things in the dark

4. a crab crept into a crack in the rock

5. milk is good for children's teeth

6. a drip from the tap drops in the sink

7. the clown did tricks with a chimpanzee

8. i can hear twigs snapping in the wind

Spelling: Fill in the table and then practise the words in sentences.

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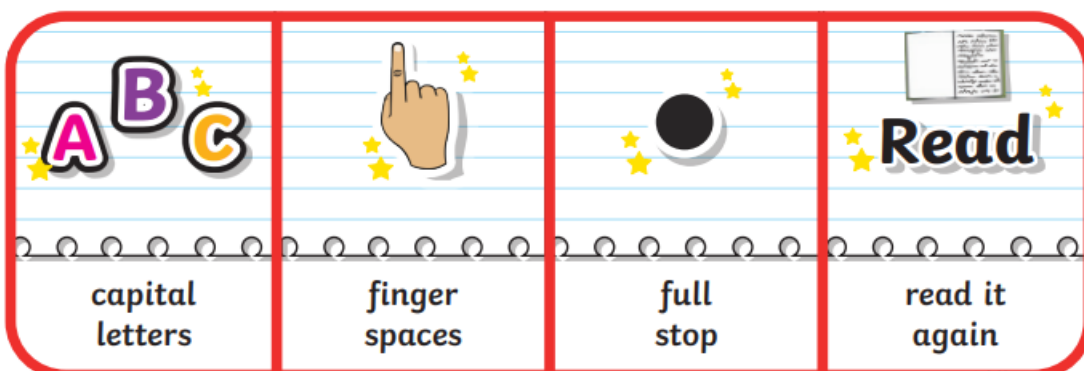
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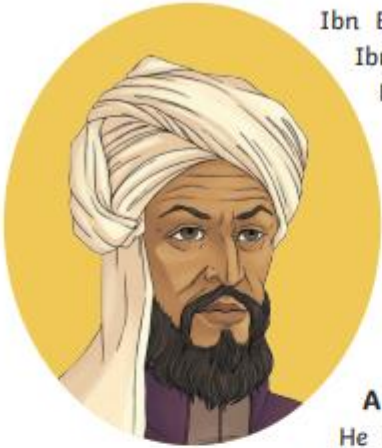
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When writing your sentences, don't forget:



Ibn Battuta



Ibn Battuta was born Abu Abdullah Muhammad Ibn Battuta on 25th February, 1304. He was a Muslim born in Tangier, Morocco and was a well-educated man and a traveller.

At the age of 21, Ibn Battuta set off on his first hajj, or pilgrimage, to Mecca. This is an important journey for Muslims.

The journey should have taken 16 months. Ibn Battuta did not go back home for 24 years!

A Long Journey

He usually joined a caravan on his travels. This meant that he was part of a larger group of travellers. People travelled in large groups so that there was less chance of being robbed.

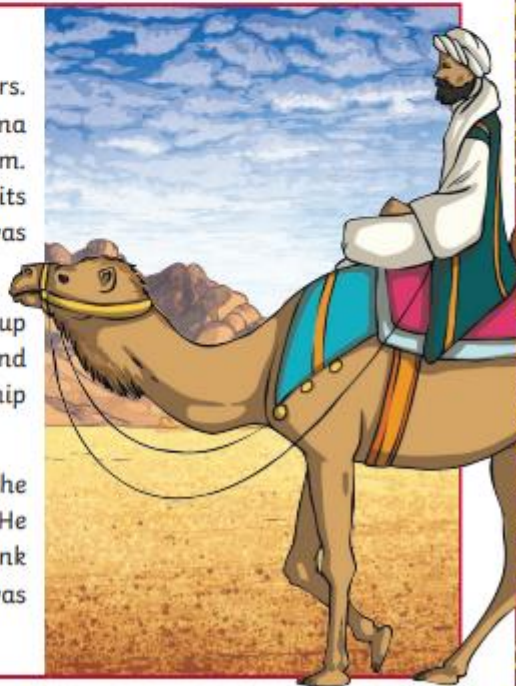
Battuta spent four days in Mecca and decided that, instead of trying to join them again, after his pilgrimage, he would carry on his journey to India.

Disaster

Battuta stayed in India for six years. Then, a group of travellers from China came by and asked Battuta to join them. He agreed, but on the journey, bandits attacked the travellers. Ibn Battuta was robbed and nearly lost his life.

Ibn Battuta caught up with the group ten days later, but a storm blew up and sank one of their ships. The other ship sailed without him.

Instead, Ibn Battuta went to the Maldives, but left after nine months. He was unhappy because he did not think the women dressed properly. This was against his religion.



Back Home

In 1348, Ibn Battuta travelled to Damascus in Syria, where he heard that his father had died 15 years before, back in Morocco.

In 1349, he finally returned to Tangier in Morocco. Here, he discovered his mother had died just a few months before.

Not much is known about his life after he arrived home and he died in 1368.



Travels

Ibn Battuta didn't keep notes during his travels, but told his friend, Ibn Juzayy, all about his adventures. Ibn Juzayy wrote them all down in a book called the Rihla which means 'the travels'. The book has helped people understand how Islam spread throughout the world.



Questions:

1. Who was Ibn Battuta? When was he born?
2. Where was he born?
3. What disaster did he face?
4. What was the name of his book?
5. If you could go anywhere in the world, where would it be and why?