

**Shackleton's Ice Trap -Geography Knowledge Organiser  
Shakespeare Class - Term 1**

**Vocabulary**

<b>Antarctica</b>	Earth's southernmost continent
<b>desert</b>	A large area of land where there is almost no rain, trees or plants
<b>climate</b>	A long-term pattern of weather conditions
<b>biome</b>	An ecosystem covering a large area of a continent
<b>Equator</b>	The imaginary east-west line encircling the Earth midway between the North and South poles
<b>Tropic of Cancer Tropic of Capricorn</b>	Imaginary lines across the globe. The Tropic of Cancer is in the Northern Hemisphere and the Tropic of Capricorn is in the Southern Hemisphere
<b>longitude</b>	A way to say where a place is on Earth Imaginary lines going north to south
<b>latitude</b>	A way to say where a place is on Earth Imaginary lines going w east to east
<b>time zone</b>	One of the areas into which the world is divided where the time is calculated - number of hours behind or ahead of GMT
<b>Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)</b>	An international standard time format- a clock at the Royal Observatory in Greenwich, London

**Endurance Timeline**

03 Aug 1914	World War I breaks out
08 Aug 1914	Endurance leaves Britain
05 Dec 1914	Leave South Georgia Island
18 Jan 1915	Enter pack ice, immovable
24 Feb 1915	Ship routine ceased
25 Oct 1915	Ship cracks under pressure of ice, takes on water, abandoned by crew
21 Nov 1915	Ship sinks
Mar 1916	Attempts to move camp failed
09 Apr 1916	Set off on foot
18 Apr 1916	Arrived at Elephant Island
24 Apr 1916	Five leave on lifeboat to seek help
09 May 1916	Arrive South Georgia
30 Aug 1916	Crew rescued on fourth attempt



Heroic Age of Antarctica Exploration. Ahead of them lay unimaginable ice.

We shall discover the frozen continent and what Shackleton and his crew had to endure!

**Links to previous learning**

Year 3 - It's all about me	Used <b>atlas, globes and google earth</b> to learn about our local area. We will use these to help us with our Antarctic topic.
Year 4 -Extreme Earth topic and Rainforest topic	Identified the different continents and oceans of the world and identified the <b>Equator, Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn</b> when you used atlases to find mountains, volcanoes, rivers and rainforests around the world
Year 5 - Raging Rivers topic	Learnt about the <b>climate</b> in a mountainous region and in the rainforest
Year 4 Rainforests	Identified that a rainforest is a <b>biome</b>

To this day the story of Ernest Shackleton and crew crossing the perilous continent of Antarctica is legendary.

*"I chose life over death for myself and my friends - I believe it is in our nature to explore, to reach out into the unknown. The only true failure would be to not explore at all,"* Ernest Shackleton.

In August 1914, Ernest Shackleton and his brave crew set out to cross the frozen wastes of Antarctica, in what was to be the last expedition of the



