

1. Read the sentences below. Put a tick to show whether each **apostrophe** shows a **contraction** (missing letters) or **possession** (that something belongs to someone or something).

| Sentence | Apostrophe to show missing letters | Apostrophe to show possession |
|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| He's not going to make it to the other side of the world! | | |
| Captain Cook's ship was called <i>HMS Endeavour</i> | | |
| A cartographer's map can be very intricate | | |
| A sailor didn't always have an easy life on ship | | |

2. Circle the correct form of the **verb** in brackets to complete each sentence below in **Standard English**.

(is / are)

We ____ certain that he had to observe the transit of Venus.

(did / done)

Cook ____ some things which no-one else had endeavoured to do.

(was / were)

The sailors ____ unsure about what they would encounter in the Southern Hemisphere.

3. Add a suitable **adverb** to each sentence.

The sailors worked _____ to fix the ship's hull.

_____, the Endeavour sailed on the high seas.

Captain Cook looked _____ for new places to discover.

4. Draw a line to match each **sentence** with the correct **verb**.

One has been done for you.

Sentence

Verb

Last night, the ship _____ bouncing treacherously on the waves.

have

A statue of Captain Cook _____ in Whitby.

are

Merchant Navy sailors _____ still in existence today.

was

We _____ enjoyed learning about Cook's expeditions.

is

5. Underline the **modal verb** in each sentence below. The first one is done for you.

You could do more research about where the Equator is.

We may be able to look at some of the maps he produced.

What would you name a new territory if you discovered it?

We should learn more about what he did as a coal merchant.

6. Underline the most suitable **conjunction** to complete the sentence below.

Captain Cook became very famous after his expedition _____ not everyone agreed with what he had done.

and but so nor

7. Replace the word 'watched' in the sentence below.



Cook and his crew sailed to the Pacific Ocean and watched the planet Venus

Choose a suitable word and write it in the box

8. Which word is closest in meaning to '**dispute**' in the sentence below. Tick the most appropriate one.

It was a nasty **dispute** which didn't end well.

argument

debate

discussion

9. Tick the pairs of words below that are **antonyms**.

night/knight

won/lost

big/bigger

deep/shallow

sale/sail

10. Look at the passage below. Change all the verbs from the **present tense** to the **past tense**. The first one has been done for you.

arrived

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The sailors arrive in Botany Bay. They can't believe what they saw. One of them takes a first step off the ship and carefully jumps onto the golden sand.

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11. The **fronted adverbial** in each sentence is shown in bold. Tick the sentence that has the comma in the correct place.

Early in the morning the captain looked carefully, at his map

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Early in the morning, the captain looked carefully at his map

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Early, in the morning the captain looked carefully at his map

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12. Underline the **relative clause** in each sentence below.

He saw animals in Australia that he had never seen before.

The sailors, who were on *The Endeavour*, passed the Equator for the first time.

They travelled to Australia, which is in the Southern Hemisphere.

13. Put a tick in each row to show whether the **main** clause or the **subordinate** clause is in bold.

One has been done for you.

| | Main clause | Subordinate clause |
|---|-------------|--------------------|
| The country, which had just been discovered , was called Australia. | | ✓ |
| Cook hoped he would be successful though even he did not know how much so. | | |
| The tribe who lived there , in Hawaii, were not happy . | | |
| Cook choosing to be a sailor was unusual because his family were farmers. | | |
| During his time as a coal merchant , he demonstrated excellent sailing skills. | | |