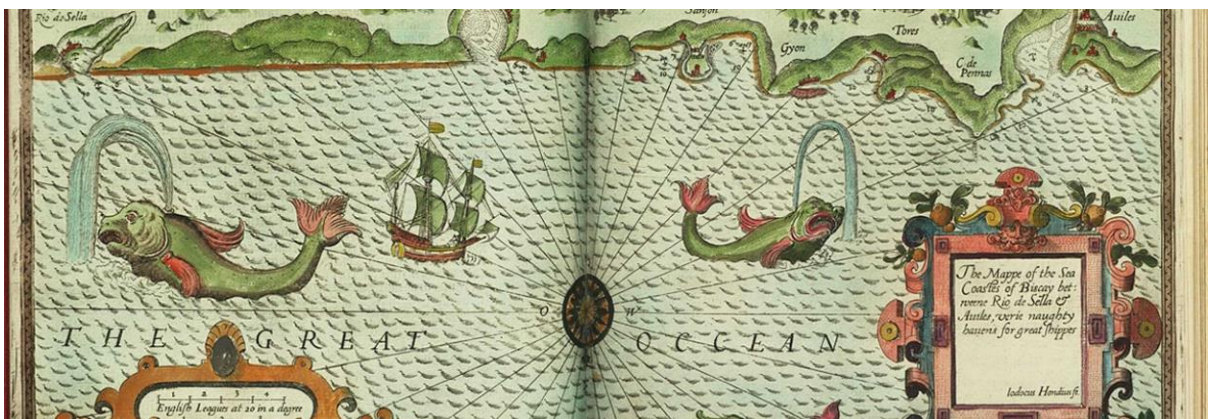


## ESOL Resources

### National Maritime Museum

The National Maritime Museum tells stories of global exploration and exchange through connections to the sea. The museum cares for a very large collection of objects and records which belong to everyone in the UK. Use these resources to find out about some of the stories in your collection and practice using English.



## Antarctica



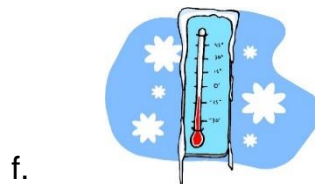
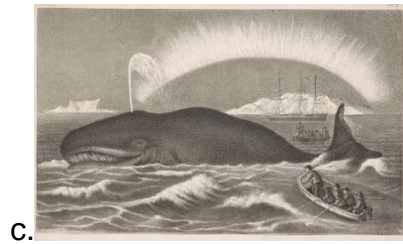
This worksheet is about Antarctica which is located over the South Pole. It is a continent surrounded by the Southern Ocean and is the most difficult place to live on Earth. Many people have explored Antarctica and today scientists live there to conduct research.

This resource is a reading activity testing grammar, skimming and scanning skills. The reading quiz focuses on a range of skills: reading for comprehension, learning new vocabulary. The focus is on learning interesting facts about Antarctica.

**Task 1**

Match the words below to the pictures.

- 1. a whale
- 2. an iceberg
- 3. rough seas
- 4. blizzard
- 5. a seal
- 6. South Pole
- 7. penguins
- 8. a desert
- 9. temperature



**Task 2**

Complete the sentence with words from Task 1.

The first one has been completed.

1. Temperature is used to measure how hot or cold it is.
2. .... is a storm which contains large amounts of snow OR blowing snow.
3. .... is a very large animal that only lives in water.
4. .... happens when the weather is stormy and there are very big waves.
5. .... are large birds that cannot fly and live in the southern hemisphere.
6. .... is a very dry landscape.
7. .... is a fish-eating mammal with feet developed as flippers.
8. .... is a large floating mass of ice.
9. .... is the most southern point on the earth.

**Task 3 - 10 Interesting Facts on Antarctica**

Read the below facts about the history of tea and then start the online Kahoot! Quiz.

1. Most of Antarctica is covered by ice - this ice can be over 4km thick in some places.
2. Wind speeds in Antarctica can reach over 320kph.
3. Antarctica is surrounded by the Southern Ocean.
4. Antarctica is described as a polar desert and it's the coldest and driest continent in the world.
5. Temperatures are cold all year round.
6. Sir Ernest Henry Shackleton led three British expeditions to Antarctica.
7. There are no native people of Antarctica.
8. There are no Polar bears in Antarctica.
9. The lowest natural temperature recorded was  $-89.2^{\circ}\text{C}$  in Antarctica.
10. There are no countries in Antarctica.

If you would like to read more about Antarctica click on / type in this link:

<https://www.rmg.co.uk/discover/explore/exploring-antarctica>

**Now you're ready to begin the quiz! Read the instructions below:**

1. Using your phone, tablet or computer type into the search engine: kahoot.it
2. Click on Play Kahoot! - Enter game PIN here
3. Type in this pin number: 03976189, click Enter
4. Enter your name
5. Start the game
6. Good Luck! Results will tell you how well you've done.

**Answer key:**

**Task 1:** 1-c 2-a 3-b 4-d 5-e 6-i 7-h 8-g 9-f

**Task 2:** 1-temperature 2-a blizzard 3-a whale 4-rough seas 5-penguins

6-desert 7-seal 8-iceberg 9-South Pole