

# Around the World

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1 On September 20, 1519, Ferdinand Magellan set sail. He was setting out on an adventure. Magellan wanted to find a different route to the Spice Islands. The Spice Islands are in Indonesia. He wanted to be the first to sail west from Spain.

2 Ferdinand Magellan was born in 1480. He was born in Portugal. His parents died when he was 10 years old. He became the queen's messenger when he was 12. With this job he learned about famous explorers. He learned about sailing ships. This was information that Magellan would use later in his life.



3 Magellan's first time at sea was when he was 25 years old. He sailed with an admiral from Portugal. When he returned, he began to plan his own trip. He asked the king of Portugal for help. The king said no. Magellan asked the king of Spain for help. He said he would help. Spain was looking for a different route to the Spice Islands in Asia.

4 Magellan found sailors to go with him. They left Spain with 5 ships. Magellan's ships made it to South America. They tried to find a way to sail to the other side. Finally, they found a strait. A strait is a narrow body of water. A strait connects two larger bodies of water. Magellan named the strait after himself. It is now known as the Strait of Magellan.

5 It took the crew 38 days to sail through it. After they left the strait, they noticed that they were sailing in a large body of water. The water was calm. Magellan named the ocean the Pacific Ocean. Pacific means calm. They sailed for weeks. They didn't see land. They ran out of food and water. The crew tried to take

over. Magellan would not let them.

6. Magellan was killed in a war on one of the islands where his ships stopped to restock their food supply. The crew sailed on. Two ships made it to the Spice Islands. They loaded the ships. They sailed back to Spain. One of the ships made it back. Magellan's ship was the first ship to sail around the world. Eighteen men survived the trip. Magellan was not one of them.

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<p>1. When did Ferdinand Magellan set sail to the Spice Islands?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> A September 19, 1519</p> <p><input type="radio"/> B September 17, 1519</p> <p><input type="radio"/> C September 20, 1519</p> <p><input type="radio"/> D September 18, 1519</p>	<p>2. What did Ferdinand Magellan want to be the first to do?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>3. What job did Magellan have when he was 12 years old?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> A He helped in the queen's gardens.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> B He worked on a farm.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> C He worked for a blacksmith.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> D He was a messenger for the queen.</p>	<p>4. Who helped Magellan set sail after the king of Portugal said no?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> A The king of Indonesia</p> <p><input type="radio"/> B The king of France</p> <p><input type="radio"/> C The king of England</p> <p><input type="radio"/> D The king of Spain</p>
<p>5. Magellan started his adventure with 5 ships.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> A False</p> <p><input type="radio"/> B True</p>	<p>6. What is a strait?</p> <p>_____</p>

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7. Why did Magellan choose the name Pacific for the ocean?

- A Because it was calm
- B Because it was cold
- C Because it was big
- D Because it was clear

8. Why did Magellan not make it to the Spice Islands?

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