

Ideas for Today's Resources

Captain Cook is about as famous in history as it gets. People in Teesside often don't realise that it isn't just local pupils who learn about him because of where he was born. He is studied all around the world. Yes there is some controversy about whether he was a wonderful guy who opened up all these new lands or a plunderer who basically caused huge problems for the people who originally lived in the places he 'discovered', but overall, he is an important historical figure and his achievements are pretty amazing. The task today doesn't require quite so much courage! Although locked down, pupils can create a something that shows off a place that is near to them. See below for ideas.

Using the task

Cook explains the task but there are different ways to achieve it

Discussion points:

- Where will you focus on?
- How will you get images? Facts? Text?
- What media will you use? Video? Text and images?
- Who is your resource aimed at. Audience is an important factor in design

Tasks and outcomes

An opportunity for the pupils to think about their local area and what is really positive about it. Equally, it could be applied to any location. The format of the output is also an opportunity to develop and practice digital skills.

Task suggestions include:

- Search for interesting facts and information about your chosen location
- Create a flyer advertising why your chosen place is so wonderful. This could be in the form of a factsheet or an actual advert to attract visitors
- Research the journeys of Captain Cook (and watch the videos) to create a flyer about a place he 'discovered'.
- Create a voice over documentary about your chosen place (iMove help guides on Spark)
- Create a picture in picture or green screen documentary about your chosen place
- Write a letter to the King either advising that Captain Cook be given a national honour or that he should be stripped of his awards because of what he caused in the countries he visited (see the Truth or Fiction: Captain Cook video for ideas - great discussion piece)
- Create a Google Voyage of the places he visited and each child/ group makes a resource to populate it



Early tour guide?