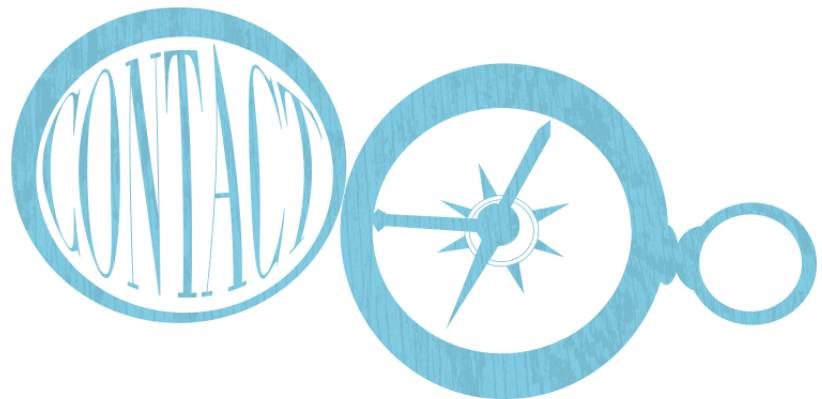




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## EXPLORATION ONLINE ACTIVITY 3



### APPLICATION TO JOIN AN EXPEDITION

In this activity, children develop an application to join a polar expedition. They consider the qualities and skills needed in unfamiliar conditions, research roles, write an application and are interviewed.

#### Introduction

Use Ernest Shackleton's famous advertisement <http://discerninghistory.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/Wanted.jpg> to discuss conditions on a polar expedition. Show the film including original footage and use the reading list.

#### Immersion

Show children a range of examples of investigative newspaper reports and explain the key features of newspaper journalism: strict word count, grabbing the reader's attention and describing the action immediately rather than setting the scene. Ask the children to choose the article they think works best and to explain why. Children could interview each other and incorporate the interviews into their article.

#### Plan and draft

Children plan and draft their article. They can experiment with writing it at different lengths and expressing it as a series of tweets. They can write the headline for the article.

#### Write up and publish

Children write their final newspaper article and headline. This could be published along with reports written by their peers as a class newspaper.

#### Extension/differentiation

Children write the newspaper article for different audiences; e.g., simple and sensational or sober and factual.

The class makes a drama about the mystery disappearance.



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