**History Grade 6 20 April 2020**

**Prior Knowledge activity: An African kingdom long ago in southern Africa: Mapungubwe**

1. Who was Marco Polo? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Where did he travel? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. What was the name of the road where they traded silk? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. How did he influence other Europeans to want to go to the east? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. What was the name of the book he wrote? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. Name four things he made mention in his book about Chinese civilisations:

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6.2 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6.3 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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7. Which African Kingdom was at its height when Marco polo went to Asia? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. What do they mean when they said Mapungubwe was at its height?

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9. Who was trading with Mapungubwe Kingdom? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. What was the name of the Ocean where trading was taking place? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

11. What did the Arabs use to transport goods to the east coast of Africa? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Explorers from Europe find southern Africa**

**Concepts**:

* Colonisation: to take over a land and its people and make it part of your kingdom e.g. south Africa was a colony to Britain
* Exploration: to travel near and far to find out about new places
* Missionaries: people who go to places to spread a religious message e.g. Christianity
* Natural resources: things in nature that people can use
* Route: a way to a place, directions. **Four types of route: air, water, road and rail.**

Unit 1: **Reasons for European exploration**

* **Trade**: Europeans wanted to trade for spices, silk, silver and precious stones.
* **To find a sea route to the East**: the land route to Asia was blocked by the Turkish Empire. Europeans wanted to buy spices in the East. They used spices to make food last longer and taste nicer.
* **To increase their knowledge of the world**: Europeans did not know much about the world. The European map of the world showed only Europe, Asia and North America.
* **To spread the Christian religion**: European rulers and missionaries wanted to spread the message of Christianity.
* **To find colonies:** Some European rulers wanted to take over land in other places.  **(colonisation**) They also wanted to take the **natural resources** of the lands they found.
* **To share knowledge**
* **Curiosity**

**Homework**

1. Name five reasons why Europeans wanted to explore the world.
2. What goods did Europeans want to buy in the East?
3. What part of Africa did the European countries wanted know about?
4. Why do you think European countries wanted to own land in the rest of the world?