

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Little Guides to Great Lives: Ferdinand Magellan



1. What was Ferdinand Magellan like as a kid?
Did he exhibit any traits that are important for explorers?
2. Magellan's journey around the world wasn't easy.
What were some challenges his crew faced?
3. What did Ferdinand find when he arrived in new places around the globe?
4. What happened to Magellan when he reached the Philippines?
Did he complete his voyage? Would you have done anything differently?
5. Do you think Ferdinand Magellan is an important figure in history?

Activity Suggestions

Imagine you are planning for a long journey across the sea:

- Think about the supplies that Magellan brought on his voyage and make a list of all the materials you might need.
- Now you're off! Write a letter to someone at home describing your journey.

Related Reading

To read more stories of fascinating explorers, check out:

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About the Little Guides to Great Lives series

From artists to aviators and scientists to revolutionaries, *Little Guides to Great Lives* is a new series of small-format guides introducing children to the most inspirational figures from history in a fun, accessible way.

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