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Explorer: Robert Falcon Scott

Here is the first explorer that you are going to find out about this week, Robert Falcon Scott. I love reading about polar explorers and Robert Falcon Scott is one of the most famous.

Use the link below to watch this clip that explains his (ill-fated) expedition to the South Pole. There is also a transcript of the video available on this link if there is a problem with playing the video clip.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/ks2-robert-falcon-scott/zdhdgwx>

Task

1. Read carefully, re-watch the video and put the ten statements in order:

They left the South Pole and set off on the 800 mile journey back to camp.
The set off with dogs pulling the sledges through awful weather.
After the dogs left, there were five people left who pushed on towards the South Pole.
Scott left Cardiff on a ship called the Terra Nova In June 1910
On the way back, the temperature dropped to -40°C. This slowed them down and they began to run out of food. Evans died first and Oates was next.
When they arrived in Antarctica, some of their equipment didn't work and the ponies couldn't cope with the cold temperatures.
They arrived at the South Pole on 17 January 1912 but they saw the Norwegian flag flying and realised that Roald Amundsen's team had beaten them.
Their expedition ended on 29 th March 1912. Before he died, Scott wrote a letter to his wife.
By the middle of winter, it was too cold for the dogs and they turned back.