

**UCIWAI SANGAM SCHOOL
SUPPLEMENTARY WORKSHEET**

YEAR : 6**SUBJECT : SOCIAL STUDIES**

STRAND	Strand 2 TIME CONTINUITY AND CHANGE
SUB STRAND	SS 6.2.1 UNDERSTANDING THE PAST
CONTENT LEARNING OUTCOMES	SS6.2.1.1 Highlight the important event that occurred and their significance in Fiji's History and Present (Content) History of Fiji Pre-contact To Contact period

LESSON NOTES**The Arrival of Europeans**

The first European's arrival in Fiji had been accidental. The first discovery was made in 1643 by a Dutch explorer, Abel Tasman. The second to land on Fiji was English navigator Captain James Cook in 1774, and he also continued to explore the islands during the 18th century. However, much of the credit of the discovery and recording of the Fiji Islands went to Captain William Bligh, who sailed through Fiji in 1789 after the mutiny on the Bounty, a British Royal Navy ship. At around the early 19th century, shipwrecked sailors and runaway convicts from the Australian penal settlements were the first Europeans to land and live among the Fijians, while missionaries and sandalwood traders came around at mid-century.

When the Europeans missionaries arrived in Fiji, their first task was to stop cannibalism by teaching Christianity to the chiefs. When the chiefs were converted all their people would follow them. They also learned the i-Taukei language so that they could easily communicate with the indigenous people. They translated the Bible into the native language and taught them how to read and write. Later on, they brought clothes and tools for the people to use.

ACTIVITY 1 FIND THE MEANINGS OF THE FOLLOWING WORDS. (READ THE NOTES AGAIN AFTER FINDING THE MEANING FOR YOUR BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE CONCEPT)

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| a) explorer | b) navigator |
| c) mutiny | d) shipwrecked |
| e) natives | f) sandalwood |
| g) traders | h) century |
| i) Indigenous | j) cannibalism |

ACTIVITY 2.

- Write down some changes after the arrival of Europeans.

- Discuss some of the items that the early Europeans brought to Fiji.

- Explain why the first arrivals of Europeans in Fiji had been accidental.
