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Roald Amundsen: The Great Polar Explorer

Short Answer Key

1. The Northwest Passage was a sea route through the Arctic that connected the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. It was important for trade and travel.
2. He studied Arctic survival skills, used dog sleds, wore warm clothing, and carefully planned his supplies.
3. He planted the Norwegian flag, left a note for Robert Falcon Scott, and became the first person to reach the South Pole.
4. Amundsen carefully planned his trip and survived, while Scott's team struggled and did not make it back.
5. He is remembered as a brave and smart explorer who reached the North and South Poles.

