

John Muir

Who Was John Muir?

John Muir was a Scottish adventurer who loved the outdoors. He liked to take care of living things. He enjoyed exploring the world around him.

John Muir's Life

- John Muir was born on 21st April 1838 in Dunbar, Scotland.
- As a boy, John loved to discover wild places.
- When he was 11, his family moved to California in America.
- John had an accident that almost made him blind. He had to spend many months recovering in a dark room.
- Once he was better, he went on a 1000-mile walk!



John camped outside in the woods with a president.



John wrote books about his adventures.



John helped people to look after living things.



John started national parks including Yosemite in the United States of America.

John Muir Day

Every year on John's birthday, people in Scotland and California celebrate his life. They share John's message about looking after living things.

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John Muir's Life

John Muir was born in Dunbar, Scotland in 1838. As a boy, he loved to go for walks and adventures. He moved to America when he was 11. He worked on his family's farm and loved to study, explore and invent things.

The home John lived in as a child is now a museum. It is also the start of John Muir Way, a long walk that takes 9-11 days to complete.



After an accident that almost made him blind, John knew he wanted to explore the outdoors more than anything. He loved everything about nature; the insects, the wild animals, the plants, trees, rivers and mountains. His love of nature made him want to protect it. He started the national park system. National parks help to conserve and protect wild places.

Did you know...?

John went camping with President Roosevelt for 3 days in the woods. One morning when they woke up, they were covered in snow!

John Muir Day

Every year on 21st April, John's birthday, people in Scotland and California celebrate John Muir Day. They remember John's important message to discover, explore and protect the environment.

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in Dunbar, Scotland.

After his accident,

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John Muir - Answers

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John Muir was a **Scottish Explorer**

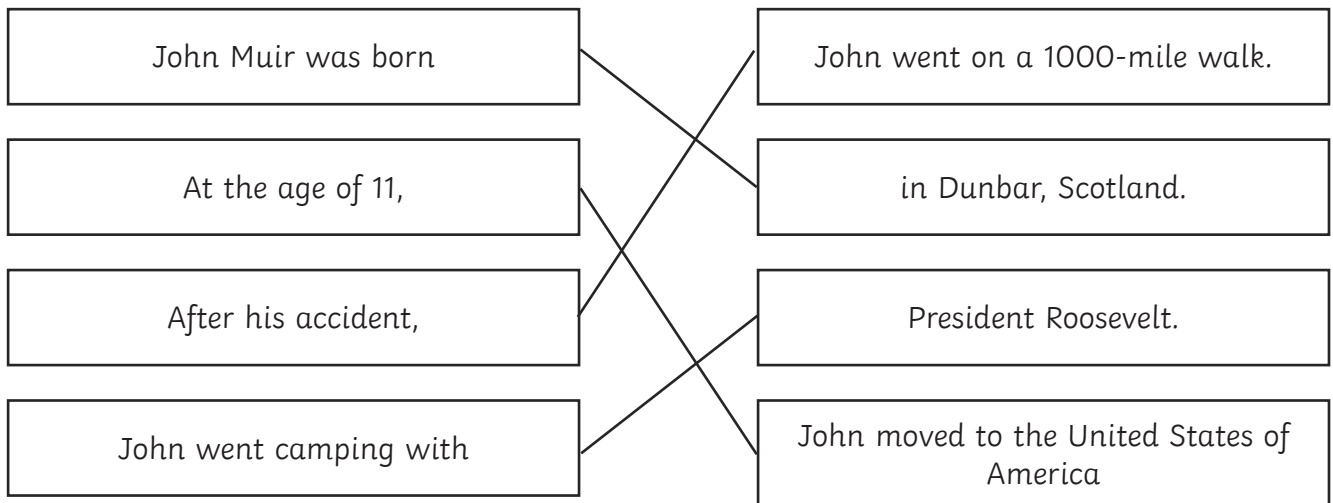
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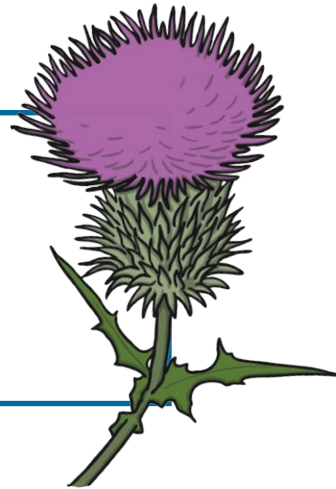
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John Muir was one of the first conservationists. A conservationist is a person who protects natural places and living things. He enjoyed exploring the world around him and wrote books about his travels.

Early Life

John Muir was born in 1838, in Dunbar, Scotland. As a boy, he loved exploring wild places. When he was 11, John's family moved to America. John lived and worked on the family's farm for 10 years. He enjoyed studying, exploring and inventing things.

The house John was born in is now a museum. The museum marks the start of the John Muir Way. This is a 134-mile walk and takes 9-11 days to complete on foot



In 1867, after an accident at work that almost made him blind, John knew he wanted to explore the outdoors more than anything. When he recovered, the first thing he did was complete a 1000-mile walk!

John loved everything about nature; the insects, the wild animals, the plants, trees, rivers and mountains. His love of nature made him want to protect it. He started the national park system. National parks help to conserve and protect wild places. In 1890, Yosemite Valley in California became the first national park. The park is now visited by over 4 million people each year.

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Did you know...?

John went camping with President Roosevelt in Yosemite. They camped in the wild and when they woke up the next morning, they were covered in a light dusting of snow!

John Muir Day

The 21st of April is John Muir Day in Scotland and the state of California; events and activities are held to celebrate Muir's love of the outdoors. People also remember John's important message to discover, explore and protect the environment.



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