

Alexander Mackenzie (1764-1820)

A. Mackenzie was born at Stornoway on the Isle of Lewis in the Outer Hebrides of Scotland in 1764.



On June 3, 1789 Mackenzie began his great journey



They set off from a village on
Lake Athabasca

In the morning on June 25, they left the lake and came to the unexplored river – the river now is known as the Mackenzie



**He had discovered
and explored more
than 2.500
miles long**

**He returned to
England in the fall of
1791 for further
schooling in
astronomy and
cartography**

**He brought back
valuable
information about
a vast area of the
country he
explored**

A. Mackenzie decided to start his second expedition from the same point on the Peace River where he had ended his first one

He started his exploration on May 9, 1793.

By July 4, the party reached place of destination and they continued their journey overland

In his FIRST expedition he had explored a river and found a route to the Arctic; in his SECOND expedition he had broken through the Rockies and opened a way to the Pacific as well!

**A. Mackenzie died in Britain
in 1820 of Brigit's disease.**

