

SESSION : 3

CLASS : 5

SUBJECT : SOCIAL SCIENCE

CHAPTER NUMBER: 18

CHAPTER NAME : THE BRITISH RAJ AND THE FIRST WAR OF INDEPENDENCE

SUBTOPIC : INTRODUCTION, EUROPEAN TRADERS

CHANGING YOUR TOMORROW

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

To enable the learner to know about:

- **The history of India.**
- **How Europeans entered India.**
- **Who were the other traders to enter India for trade.**

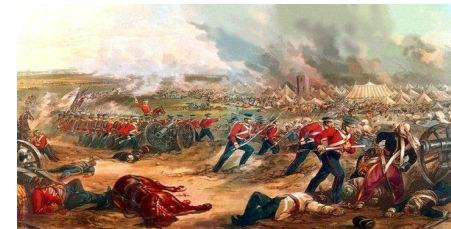
Introduction

In the ancient times, India was famous far and wide for its riches. In fact, it was called the Golden Bird. Indian spices, jewellery, textiles and pearls were specially famous in many Asian countries of that time. When European traders came to know about this, they decided to visit India and establish trade relations with it.

European Traders



The first European to find a sea route to India was the Portuguese Vasco Da Gama. He went around Africa and landed India in 1498 in Calicut in Kerala (now Kozhikode). The Portuguese started trading with India, mainly in spices. They were followed by the Dutch, French and the English Traders. Soon, they started fighting against each other to get a bigger share of the trade for themselves.



VASCO-DA-GAMA

Finally, the British defeated the others. The British formed the English East India Company in the year 1600 for trading in India. They made trading centres in the western and eastern coasts. They bought mainly spices and textiles from India.



SUMMING UP

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- **Dutch, French and the English Traders started trading with India.**
- **Fighting against each other to get a bigger share of the trade for themselves.**

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HOME WORK

Write difficult words and words to remember in your notebook.

LEARNING OUTCOME

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