## DAVID LIVINGSTONE

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David Livingstone was born on March 19, 1813 in Blantyre (Scotland) and grew up in poverty. He had to work very young when necessary to support his family but his soul child inspires for adventure. Dreaming of being a missionary, he studied at night and finally managed to integrate the London Missionary Society. He went to Africa and managed to extend its influence on the tribes of Botswana.





Pursued by his need for adventure, he embarked on the exploration of the continent. Beginning from<sup>2</sup> 1849 he began to explore the south-central region of the African continent. He crosses<sup>3</sup> the Kalahari Desert to Lake Ngami. In the following years, he went up the Zambezi, then joined the Atlantic coast in Luanda in Angola. He discovered the Zambezi Falls, which he called by the name of Queen Victoria.



Therefore<sup>4</sup>, this great missionary explorer multiplied discoveries, still in Africa (lakes Shirwa, Nyassa, Meoro and Bangweolo). With this shipment<sup>5</sup>, it is probably the first European to cross Africa from west to east. The American journalist Stanley doesn't found him. But he finally joined at the end of 1871. Livingstone died of heart disease<sup>6</sup> on May 01, in 1873 in Chitambo in central Africa.

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<sup>1</sup> tribus

<sup>3</sup> traverser

<sup>4</sup> par conséquent

<sup>5</sup> expédition

<sup>6</sup> maladie