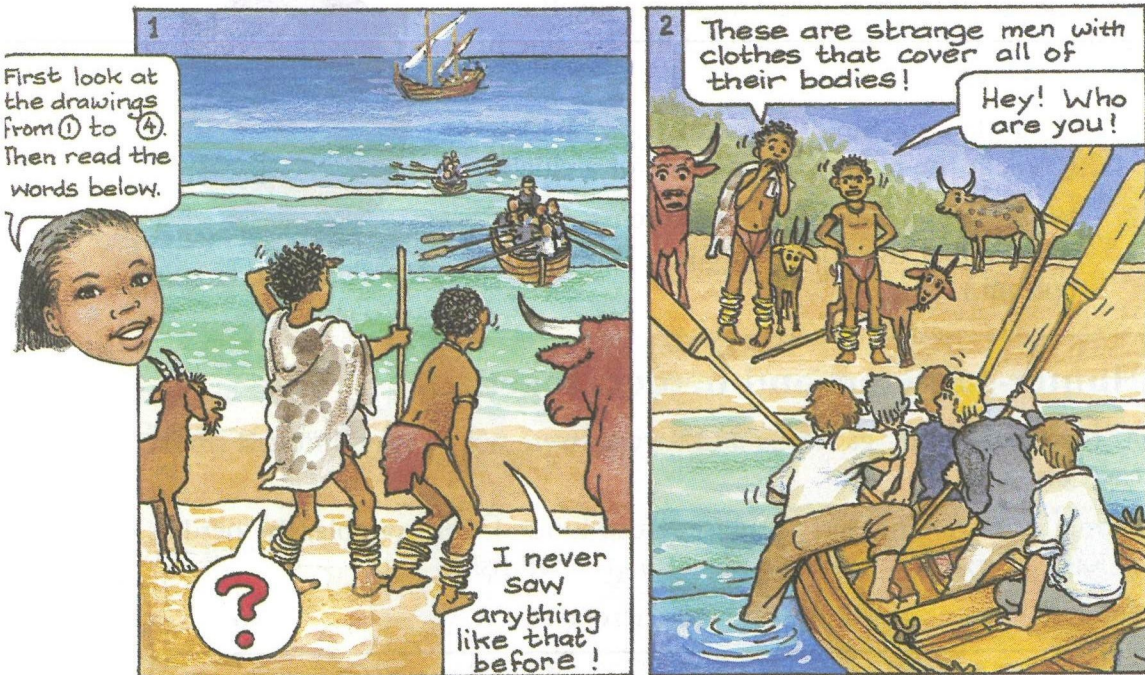


2. Europeans come to the Cape



Bartholomew Dias meets the Khoikhoi

In 1488 a sailor called Bartholomew Dias landed in *Mossel Bay* at the Cape in a big sailing ship. (Find Mossel Bay on the map on pages 58 to 59.)

Bartholomew Dias came from a country called *Portugal*, which is in *Europe*. (Find Portugal on the world map on pages 4 to 5.) He and his men were on their way to find *India*. In India they wanted to buy spices and other goods to take back to Europe. (Find India on the world map on pages 4 to 5. It is in *Asia*.)

The ship stopped in Mossel Bay. Bartholomew Dias and his men landed on the beach in small boats. They were looking for water to drink.

On the beach they saw Khoikhoi herders who were looking after their cattle.

Now look at what Bartholomew Dias wrote in his diary. He was writing about the Khoikhoi herders he found on the beach at Mossel Bay.

