

Celebrating Pioneers: A Black History Month Quiz with Ellie the Elephant

Learning objective: To recognise the achievements and contributions of significant Black individuals throughout history in accordance with Year 4 history awareness.

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey through history! Read the questions carefully and use your best memory to answer these 10 questions about remarkable people who changed the world.

Answer Key: 1. A (Mary Seacole), 2. True, 3. False (He was a professional footballer and a soldier), 4. C (Rosa Parks), 5. 1948, 6. True, 7. Mary Seacole, 8. B (The British Army), 9. True, 10. A person who helps others or makes a path for others to follow.

Word bank: Mary Seacole · Walter Tull · Rosa Parks · Windrush · pioneer · courage · contributions · legacy

1. 1. Who was the famous nurse who travelled to the Crimean War to care for soldiers? A) Mary Seacole* B) Florence Nightingale C) Rosa Parks D) Harriet Tubman (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Walter Tull was the first Black officer to lead white British soldiers into battle during the First World War. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: Walter Tull was famous for being a professional chef. (1 mark)

4. 4. Which person is famous for their role in the Montgomery bus boycott? A) Mary Seacole B) Walter Tull C) Rosa Parks* D) Nelson Mandela (1 mark)

5. 5. In what year did the HMT Empire Windrush arrive in Britain, carrying people from the Caribbean to help rebuild the country after the war? (1 mark)

6. 6. True or False: Black History Month is celebrated in October in the United Kingdom. (1 mark)

7. 7. Which historical figure was known as 'Mother Seacole' by the soldiers she helped? (1 mark)

8. 8. Walter Tull played professional football for which club before joining the army? A) Manchester City B) Tottenham Hotspur* C) Liverpool D) Arsenal (1 mark)

9. 9. True or False: Mary Seacole opened a 'British Hotel' to provide food and comfort to soldiers. (1 mark)

10. 10. In your own words, what does the word 'pioneer' mean? (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a portrait of a person you think is a hero in history. Include a speech bubble showing one kind thing they might say to help others.



Extension challenge: Ellie the Elephant wants to know more! Research one other person who has made a big difference in history and write three facts about them on a postcard.