

Ellie's Black History Heroes Quiz

Learning objective: To recall and understand the contributions of significant Black figures in history who have shaped our world.

Join Ellie the elephant on a journey through time! Read the questions carefully and use your knowledge of history to answer them. Good luck!

Answer Key: 1. A (Mary Seacole), 2. True, 3. False (She was a nurse), 4. Rosa Parks, 5. B (1948), 6. True, 7. B (Benjamin Banneker), 8. 1955, 9. False (The Empire Windrush arrived in 1948), 10. Courage.

Word bank: Mary Seacole · Windrush · Rosa Parks · Invention · Courage · Change · Justice · Trailblazer

1. 1. Which famous British-Jamaican nurse set up the 'British Hotel' to care for soldiers during the Crimean War? A) Mary Seacole* B) Florence Nightingale C) Rosa Parks D) Harriet Tubman (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Mary Seacole was known for her kindness and bravery in helping injured soldiers. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: Rosa Parks was a famous pilot who flew planes across the Atlantic Ocean. (1 mark)

4. 4. Who became a symbol of the Civil Rights movement after refusing to give up her seat on a bus in Alabama? (1 mark)

5. 5. In what year did the Empire Windrush ship arrive in Britain, bringing people from the Caribbean to help rebuild the country? A) 1939 B) 1948* C) 1955 D) 1960 (1 mark)

6. 6. True or False: Many people who arrived on the Empire Windrush worked in vital jobs like the NHS, transport, and construction. (1 mark)

7. 7. Who was the 18th-century scientist and inventor who helped survey the city of Washington D.C.? A) Martin Luther King B) Benjamin Banneker* C) Nelson Mandela D) George Washington Carver (1 mark)

8. 8. In what year did the famous Montgomery Bus Boycott take place? (1 mark)

9. 9. True or False: The Empire Windrush arrived in the year 2000. (1 mark)

10. 10. Fill in the blank: People who stand up for what is right, even when it is difficult, show great _____. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of a 'Hero of History' medal. Inside the medal, draw a symbol that represents someone who made the world a fairer place, such as a book, a heart, or a helping hand.



Extension challenge: Research a person who moved to the UK from the Caribbean in the mid-20th century. Write three sentences about what they did for their community or their job.