

Ellie's History Corner: Heroes of Civil Rights

Learning objective: To understand the importance of Civil Rights and identify how individuals have campaigned for equality and fairness.

Use this writing scaffold to draft your own report about someone who stood up for what is right. Follow the structure below to organise your ideas clearly.

Throughout history, brave individuals have stood up to challenge unfair rules and fight for the rights of all people to be treated with dignity.

Word bank: furthermore · in addition to · courageously · however · as a result · an important turning point · inspired by · nevertheless · consequently

1. Introduction: Who is the person you are writing about, and why are they famous for their work in Civil Rights? Start by saying: 'I have chosen to write about... because...' (2 marks)

2. The Challenge: What unfair treatment or rules were they facing at the time? Describe the situation using: 'During this time, life was difficult because...' (3 marks)

3. Taking Action: What specific actions did they take to make a change? Explain their steps by writing: 'To stand up for equality, they decided to...' (3 marks)

4. The Impact: What happened as a result of their bravery? You could start with: 'Because of their actions, many people began to...' (2 marks)

5. Reflection: Why is their story still important today? Finish with: 'Looking back, we can learn from them that...' (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are a reporter at a historical protest. Write a short diary entry (50-70 words) explaining how you feel witnessing a moment of change.