Black History Month: Celebrating Trailblazers with Ellie

Learning objective: To research and present information about a significant Black historical figure, using formal language and organising ideas into coherent paragraphs.

Choose a person from Black history who has made a significant impact on the world. Use your research skills to fill in the sections below. Ellie the elephant has a brilliant memory for stories, so try to include as many interesting facts as you can!

Word bank: contribution · achievement · perseverance · legacy · pioneering · significant · impact · historical · courageous · influence

1. Name of the Historical Figure and their Key Achievement: State who you have chosen and describe the main reason they are remembered today. (2 marks)

2. Early Life and Challenges: Describe where they grew up and the obstacles they had to overcome. Explain why these challenges were significant. (3 marks)

3. The Turning Point: Justify why a specific moment in their life was crucial to their success or the change they brought about. (3 marks)

4. Lasting Legacy: Compare and contrast how the world was before they made their contribution versus how it is today because of them. (4 marks)

5. Personal Reflection: Explain why you believe this person is an inspirational role model. What qualities did they possess that you admire? (3 marks)

6. Creative Extension: What might happen if this person had not pursued their goals? Write a short prediction about how our society could be different today. (5 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are interviewing this historical figure. Write three challenging questions you would ask them to learn more about their mindset and their motivations for creating positive change.