

Celebrating Black Social Studies / History: Voices of Change

Step into the story of progress and discover the heroes who changed our world!

- **Mary Seacole** was a brave nurse who travelled to the Crimean War at her own expense to care for wounded soldiers, using her own money and resources to set up the 'British Hotel'.
- **Walter Tull** became one of the first Black professional footballers in Britain and later served as a heroic officer in the First World War, showing incredible leadership in the face of prejudice.
- The **Windrush generation** refers to the thousands of people who arrived in the UK from Caribbean countries between 1948 and 1971 to help rebuild Britain after the Second World War.
- **Black Social Studies / History Month** is not just about the past; it is a time to recognise modern-day scientists, artists, and leaders who are shaping our future right now.
- **Learning about diverse histories** helps us to build a fairer society where everyone's unique story is valued and heard.

Did you know? Did you know that Black Social Studies / History Month first began in the United States in 1970, but it was officially celebrated for the first time in the United Kingdom in 1987? It was organised by Akyaaba Addai-Sebo to help people learn about the untold stories and achievements of Black people throughout history.

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