

Ellie's Social Studies / History Journal: Champions of Change

Learning objective: To identify and evaluate the contributions of significant individuals who campaigned for equal rights and social justice.

Choose a historical figure who fought for civil rights. Use your research skills to fill in this journal entry. Think carefully about how their actions helped change the world for the better. Ellie the Elephant says: 'Remember, every great change begins with a brave voice!'

Word bank: justice · equality · campaign · courage · protest · legislation · human rights · discrimination · activist · freedom

1. Who is the historical figure you have chosen and what specific injustice were they trying to change? (2 marks)

2. Describe one brave action this person took. Why was this action significant at the time? (3 marks)

3. Compare and contrast: How was the world different before this person's work, compared to how it is today? (4 marks)

4. Explain why this person's message is still important for us to remember in modern society. (3 marks)

5. Justify your answer: If this person had not stood up for their beliefs, what might have happened to the rights of others? (4 marks)

6. Creative Extension: If you were to design a monument for this person, what symbols would you include and why? (4 marks)

Extension challenge: Research a second activist from a different country. Write a short paragraph explaining how their fight for civil rights is similar to, or different from, the person you studied in this journal.