

Trailblazers of History: A Journey with Ellie

Learning objective: To recognise the significant contributions of key figures in Black history and understand their impact on society.

Join Ellie the elephant on a walk through history! Read the questions carefully and use your knowledge of important historical figures to answer them. Look closely at the word bank for clues.

Answer Key: 1. B, 2. True, 3. Mary Seacole, 4. C, 5. True, 6. Rosa Parks, 7. A, 8. True, 9. Nelson Mandela, 10. To gain equal rights for all people.

Word bank: Mary Seacole · Windrush · Rosa Parks · Nelson Mandela · Invention · Courage · Equality · Activist

1. 1. Who was the heroic nurse who travelled to the Crimean War to care for wounded soldiers? A) Florence Nightingale B) Mary Seacole* C) Ellie the Elephant D) Zara the Zebra (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: The HMT Empire Windrush arrived in Britain in 1948 carrying people from the Caribbean to help rebuild the country. (1 mark)

3. 3. Which historical figure is famous for her work as a nurse and business woman during the 19th century? (1 mark)

4. 4. What was the name of the movement that helped end apartheid in South Africa? A) The Great Migration B) The Freedom March C) The Anti-Apartheid Movement* D) The Equality Act (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: Rosa Parks is famous for her peaceful protest on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama. (1 mark)

6. 6. Who became the first black President of South Africa after spending many years in prison for fighting for equality? (1 mark)

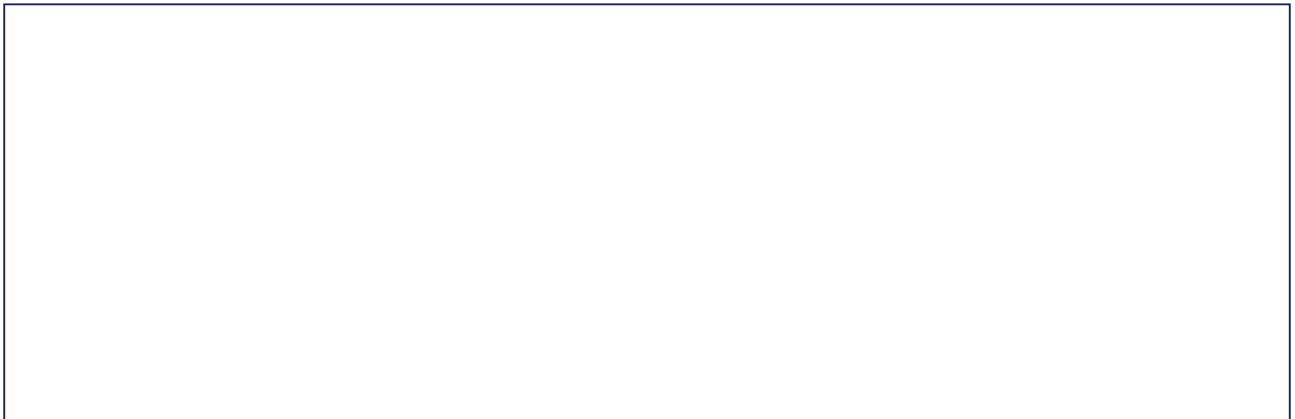
7. 7. What does the term 'Activist' mean? A) A person who campaigns for social or political change* B) A person who enjoys painting C) A person who likes to solve maths puzzles D) A person who studies stars (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: Many people from the Caribbean who arrived on the Windrush are known as the 'Windrush Generation'. (1 mark)

9. 9. Which famous leader spent 27 years in prison before becoming a symbol of peace and freedom? (1 mark)

10. 10. In your own words, why did people like Rosa Parks and Nelson Mandela fight for equality? (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a portrait of a 'History Hero' you have learnt about today. Include symbols around them that represent the change they helped make in the world.



Extension challenge: Greater Depth Challenges: 1. Compare and contrast the methods used by Mary Seacole and Rosa Parks to achieve change. 2. Explain why it is important to remember the contributions of the Windrush Generation today. 3. Justify your answer: If you could invite one of these historical figures to a history club with Ellie, who would you choose and why? 4. What might happen if these individuals had chosen to stay silent instead of taking action? 5. Research one other significant figure in Black history and create a 'Fact File' card for them. 6. How do the actions of people in the past continue to shape the society we live in today?