

Celebrating Heroes: A Story of Courage

Learning objective: To learn about significant historical figures and practice reading comprehension and sentence structure.

Read the story about a brave woman named Rosa Parks. Then, answer the questions below to show what you have learnt.

Ellie the elephant loves to look back into history. Today, she is telling us about a very important person named Rosa Parks. A long time ago, in a place called America, things were not always fair. People were treated differently because of the color of their skin. Rosa Parks was a very brave lady. One day, she was sitting on a bus after a long day at work. The bus driver told her to give up her seat to someone else just because of her skin color. Rosa knew this was wrong. She stayed in her seat and said 'no'. This act of courage helped to change the laws so that everyone would be treated with fairness and respect. We remember her today for her strength and for standing up for what is right.

Word bank: brave · history · respect · change · fairness · courage

1. Who is the brave lady we are learning about in this story? (1 mark)

2. Where was Rosa Parks when she decided to stand up for what is right? (1 mark)

3. Why did the bus driver tell Rosa to give up her seat? (2 marks)

4. What does the word 'courage' mean? Use the word in a sentence. (3 marks)

5. Why do we remember Rosa Parks today? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Rosa Parks sitting on the bus, looking brave and strong. You can add a speech bubble to show her being kind but firm.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are a reporter for Ellie's history newspaper. Write two sentences explaining why it is important to be fair to everyone, just like Rosa Parks.