

Black History Month: Heroes of Change

Learning objective: To recognize the significant contributions of Black individuals to British and world history.

Read each question carefully. Use your historical knowledge to pick the correct answer or fill in the blanks. Good luck, explorers!

Answer Key: 1. A (Mary Seacole), 2. True, 3. True, 4. B (1948), 5. Walter Tull, 6. True, 7. 1955, 8. C (Rosa Parks), 9. True, 10. October. Learning points: Black History Month celebrates the rich heritage and achievements of Black people throughout history, highlighting stories that were often left out of textbooks.

Word bank: Mary Seacole · Windrush · Civil Rights · Nursing · Pioneer · History

1. Which historical figure was known as 'Mother Seacole' for her brave work in nursing soldiers during the Crimean War? A) Mary Seacole* B) Florence Nightingale C) Rosa Parks D) Harriet Tubman (1 mark)

2. True or False: Black History Month is celebrated in the UK to honor the contributions of Black people to British society. (1 mark)

3. True or False: Walter Tull was one of the first Black professional footballers in Britain and a brave officer in the First World War. (1 mark)

4. The Empire Windrush ship arrived in Britain in which year, bringing people from the Caribbean to help rebuild the country? A) 1939 B) 1948* C) 1950 D) 1960 (1 mark)

5. Who was the first Black woman to be elected as a Member of Parliament in the UK in 1987? (One word answer: Abbott) (1 mark)

6. True or False: Black History Month was first celebrated in the UK in 1987. (1 mark)

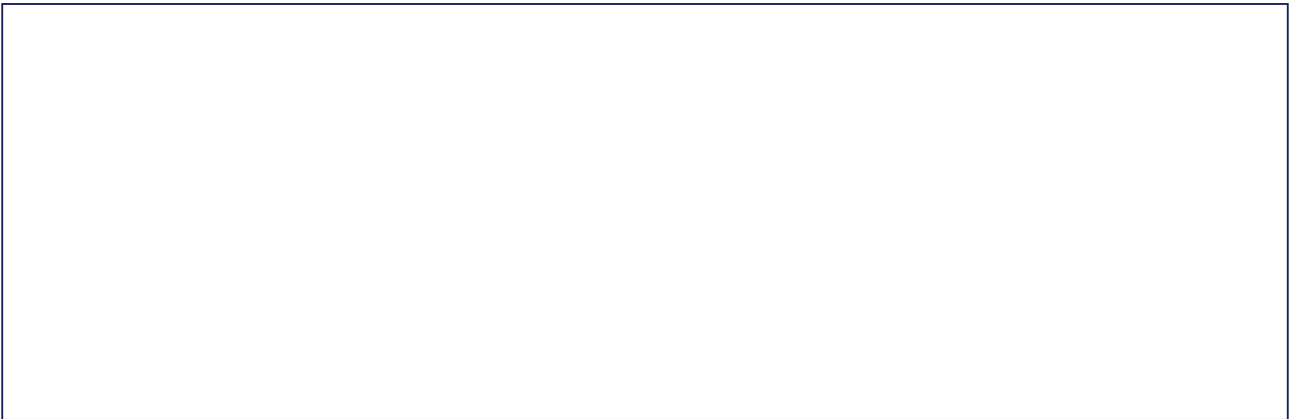
7. In which year did the famous Montgomery bus boycott begin in the USA? (Write the number) (1 mark)

8. Which brave woman refused to give up her bus seat, sparking the Civil Rights movement? A) Maya Angelou B) Harriet Tubman C) Rosa Parks* D) Mary Seacole (1 mark)

9. True or False: Olaudah Equiano was a writer and abolitionist who campaigned against the slave trade in Britain during the 18th century. (1 mark)

10. In the UK, Black History Month is celebrated every year during which month? (One word answer) (1 mark)

Draw: Ellie the Elephant is putting together a museum display about a hero from history. Draw a portrait of a person you have learned about during Black History Month and add a speech bubble showing why they are an inspiration.



Extension challenge: Research a person who has made a difference in your local community. Write a short poem or a 'Did You Know?' fact file about them to share with the class.