

Celebrating Black History Month with Ellie

Learning objective: To understand the importance of Black History Month and recognise the contributions of Black individuals to society.

Read the story about Ellie the elephant. Then, answer the questions below. Use the word bank if you need help with spelling.

Ellie the elephant loves to visit the library to look through history books. In October, Ellie is very busy. She is learning all about Black History Month. Ellie thinks it is a wonderful time to share stories about Black people who have done great things. She tells her friends about inventors, doctors, and leaders who changed the world. Some people were brave when things were unfair. They stood up for what was right so that everyone could be treated with kindness. Ellie reads about people who made new discoveries in science and others who wrote beautiful poems. She says that we should celebrate these heroes all year round, not just in October. Ellie believes that when we learn about different people, we understand the world better. By remembering the past, we can build a kinder future together. Ellie makes a big display board in the library with pictures and facts. She wants every child to feel proud of their own story and to respect the stories of others. Learning is the best adventure of all, especially when we learn about people who made the world a better place.

Word bank: history · celebrate · contributions · brave · important · learn · achievements

1. In which month does Ellie learn about Black History Month? (Use a full sentence) (2 marks)

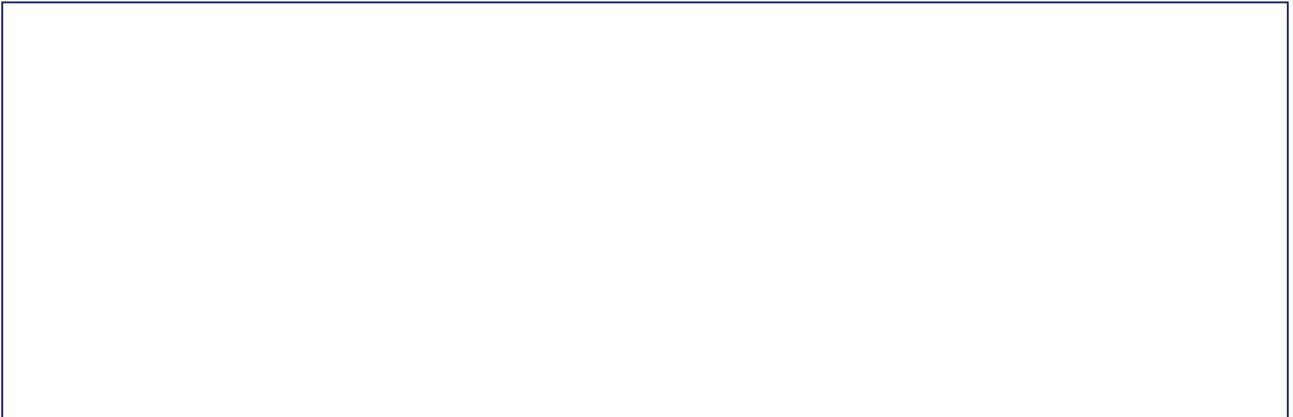
2. What are two things that the people Ellie reads about have done? (Find two examples in the text) (2 marks)

3. Why does Ellie want to share these stories with her friends? (2 marks)

4. How might the people Ellie reads about have felt when they stood up for what was right? (2 marks)

5. Do you think it is important to learn about Black History? Give one reason why. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Ellie the elephant standing in front of her library display board showing pictures of inspiring people.



Extension challenge: Write one sentence about a person you admire and why they are important to you.