

Florence Nightingale: The Lady with the Lamp Quiz

Learning objective: To evaluate knowledge of Florence Nightingale's life, her contributions to nursing, and the historical impact of her work during the Crimean War.

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey back in time! Use your historical knowledge to answer these ten questions about Florence Nightingale. Keep your answers concise and clear.

Answer Key: 1. B (1854), 2. False, 3. Scutari, 4. C (To improve hygiene), 5. True, 6. Statistics, 7. A (The Lady with the Lamp), 8. True, 9. Royal Red Cross (or medal/recognition), 10. False. Summary: Florence Nightingale transformed nursing from a poorly regarded profession into a highly respected, evidence-based career through her dedication to sanitation and data analysis.

Word bank: Scutari · Crimean War · Sanitation · Statistics · Nursing · Lamp · Hospital · Reform

1. In which year did Florence Nightingale travel to the Crimea? A) 1840 B) 1854* C) 1860 D) 1872 (1 mark)

2. True or False: Florence Nightingale was the first person to invent the hospital. (1 mark)

3. What was the name of the military hospital in Turkey where Florence worked? (1 word) (1 mark)

4. Why did Florence insist on scrubbing the hospital floors? A) To make it look pretty B) To follow orders from the King C) To improve hygiene and reduce disease* D) To pass the time (1 mark)

5. True or False: Florence Nightingale used mathematical charts to prove that soldiers were dying from poor conditions. (1 mark)

6. What subject did Florence excel in that helped her present data to the government? (1 word) (1 mark)

7. What nickname was Florence given by the soldiers? A) The Lady with the Lamp* B) The Brave Nurse C) The Hospital Hero D) The Crimean Angel (1 mark)

8. True or False: Florence Nightingale established the first official training school for nurses. (1 mark)

9. Which royal award or honour was Florence the first woman to receive? (1 word) (1 mark)

10. True or False: Florence Nightingale never returned to England after the war. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a scene inside the Scutari hospital as seen through Florence's eyes, focusing on the contrast between the dark, cramped conditions and the light from her lantern.



Extension challenge: Greater Depth Challenges: 1. Explain why Florence Nightingale's use of data was considered revolutionary for the 19th century. 2. Compare and contrast the role of a nurse in 1850 with the role of a nurse today. 3. Justify your answer: Was Florence's greatest contribution her nursing care or her administrative reforms? 4. What might have happened to the survival rates in the hospital if Florence had not insisted on sanitation? 5. If you were a journalist in 1856, write a short headline and opening paragraph describing the impact of her return. 6. Analyze why the 'Lady with the Lamp' imagery became such a powerful symbol for the public.