

Celebrating Amazing People with Ellie the Elephant

Learning objective: To recognize that people from diverse backgrounds have made important contributions to our world and to understand the importance of celebrating different histories.

Ellie the Elephant has been reading stories about amazing people who helped change the world for the better. Look at the list of special contributions below. Match the person to the thing they are famous for by drawing a line, then talk about why their work makes the world a kinder place.

Word bank: Rosa Parks · Mary Seacole · Walter Tull · Helping others · Being brave · Fairness

1. Rosa Parks is famous for being brave on a bus. Why is it important to be brave and stand up for what is right? (2 marks)

2. Mary Seacole was a nurse who cared for people. Can you name one way you can be kind to a friend today? (2 marks)

3. Walter Tull was a brave footballer and soldier. If you were playing a game with friends, how could you make sure everyone feels included? (2 marks)

4. Why do we celebrate Black History Month? (Think about why it is good to learn about new people and their stories). (2 marks)

5. If you could do something amazing to help your school, what would it be? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of yourself standing next to one of the people Ellie told us about. Show them doing something kind, like helping someone or sharing a smile.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for a student to draw a picture of themselves standing next to a historical figure and showing them doing something kind.

Extension challenge: Ask your grown-up to help you find a book about a hero from history. Tell your class one new thing you learned about them tomorrow morning!