A Life of Courage: Celebrating Heroes

Learning objective: To research and record the achievements of an inspirational historical figure to celebrate Black History Month.

Choose a significant person from Black history. Use non-fiction books or trusted sources to research their life. Fill in the boxes below to create a fact-file about their achievements and why they are remembered today. Remember to use your best handwriting and check your spelling.

Word bank: courageous · inspirational · achievement · contribution · pioneer · legacy · determination · historical · impact · advocacy

1. Name and Background: Who is the person you have chosen? Briefly describe their early life and where they grew up. (2 marks)

2. Key Achievement: What did this person do that made a difference to the world? Explain the specific challenge they faced. (3 marks)

3. Impact and Legacy: How did their actions change things for people after them? Explain why their work is still important today. (3 marks)

4. Personal Qualities: Which character traits (like bravery, kindness, or intelligence) did this person show? Justify your choices with examples. (3 marks)

5. Compare and Contrast: If you could compare this person to another historical figure you have studied, what similarities or differences would you find? (4 marks)

6. Critical Thinking: What might have happened if this person had not taken action? Explain your reasoning. (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Design a commemorative plaque or a statue base for this person. Write a short poem, inspired by Leo the Lion, to celebrate their life's work, ensuring you include at least three adjectives from the word bank.