Florence Nightingale: The Lady with the Lamp Quiz

Learning objective: To recall key facts about the life and historical significance of Florence Nightingale.

Read the questions carefully and use your knowledge of history to answer them. Look out for clues from Ellie the Elephant!

Answer Key: 1. C, 2. True, 3. False, 4. Scutari, 5. B, 6. True, 7. Hygiene, 8. A, 9. False, 10. True.

Word bank: Scutari · Nursing · Crimean War · Hygiene · Lamp · Hospital · Florence

1. 1. What is the name of the famous nurse who helped soldiers during the Crimean War? A) Mary Seacole B) Queen Victoria C) Florence Nightingale* D) Edith Cavell (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Florence Nightingale was born in Italy and named after the city of Florence. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: Florence Nightingale became a famous scientist who studied space with Nova the Owl. (1 mark)

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

5. 5. Why did the soldiers call her 'The Lady with the Lamp'? A) She sold lamps in the market B) She walked through the wards at night checking on soldiers* C) She used a lamp to signal ships D) She invented the lightbulb (1 mark)

6. 6. True or False: Before Florence changed things, many hospitals were dirty and overcrowded. (1 mark)

7. 7. Florence believed that cleanliness was very important. What is the specific word for keeping things clean to prevent illness? (One word answer) (1 mark)

8. 8. Which of these did Florence NOT do to help soldiers? A) Build a new motorway* B) Improve the hospital drains C) Provide fresh food D) Organise clean bandages (1 mark)

9. 9. True or False: Florence Nightingale lived in the 21st century. (1 mark)

10. 10. True or False: Florence Nightingale helped to change how hospitals are run today. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Florence Nightingale holding her famous lamp, walking through a hospital ward. Include Ellie the Elephant standing nearby, taking notes on the history of the hospital!

Extension challenge: Imagine you are a reporter in the 1850s. Write a short newspaper headline and two sentences describing the improvements Florence Nightingale made at the Scutari hospital.