Social Studies / History Heroes: Mary Seacole

Learning objective: To identify and describe the historical significance of Mary Seacole, a pioneering nurse from the 19th Century.

Use the information you have learned in class about Mary Seacole to complete this drawing and labelling activity. Use your best historical detail to show her important work.

Draw: Draw a scene showing Mary Seacole standing outside 'The British Hotel'. Include Mary wearing her nurse's apron and a headscarf. Beside her, draw a wooden crate filled with supplies like bandages and bottles of medicine. Use a warm colour palette to show her kindness. In the background, draw some hills or a tent to represent the landscape where she worked.

Label words: The British Hotel · Medical supplies · Medicine · Bandages · Compassionate · Nurse

Steps:

1. Why did Mary Seacole set up 'The British Hotel' during the war?
2. Label the medical supplies on your drawing that Mary might have carried in her bag.
3. Write down two qualities that made Mary Seacole a hero.
4. If you could ask Mary one question about her journey, what would it be?
5. How did Mary Seacole help the soldiers beyond just giving them medicine?