Social Studies / History: The Transatlantic Slave Trade and Abolition

Learning objective: To understand the key terminology, historical context, and the movement towards abolition during the Transatlantic Slave Trade era.

Key Vocabulary

Use this vocabulary mat to help you understand the history of the Transatlantic Slave Trade. The terms are categorised by 'The System', 'Life and Resistance', and 'The Movement for Abolition'.

Transatlantic Relating to the journey across …	**Triangular Trade** A historical system where …	**Plantation** A large farm, often in the Americ…
Enslaved Person A human being who was t…	**Middle Passage** The brutal and dangerous …	**Commodity** A raw material or product that c…
Resistance The act of fighting against author…	**Abolitionist** A person who campaigned to e…	**Emancipation** The process of being set free …
Human Rights The basic rights and freedo…	**Legislation** Laws passed by a government t…	**Colonialism** The practice of one country tak…
Campaign A series of organised activities d…	**Petitions** Formal written requests, signed by…	**Boycott** Refusing to buy goods (such as su…
Explain why the t…	**Define 'Abolitioni…**	**What was the 'Mi…**
How did enslaved…	**If a group of peop…**	