Celebrating Heroes: A Quiz with Ellie the Elephant

Learning objective: To recognise the contributions of Black historical figures and understand why we celebrate Black History Month.

Read the sentences carefully. Use the word bank to help you fill in the gaps or choose the right answer. Ellie the Elephant is here to help you remember these amazing stories!

Answer Key: 1. October, 2. True, 3. Mary Seacole, 4. Nurse, 5. True, 6. Kindness, 7. True, 8. Courage, 9. False, 10. True. Black History Month is a time to learn about the history of Black people and their achievements.

Word bank: Mary Seacole · Black History Month · October · Courage · Kindness · Nurse · Trailblazer

1. 1. In which month do we celebrate Black History Month in the UK? A) January B) October* C) May (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Black History Month helps us learn about people who made the world a better place. (True/False) (1 mark)

3. 3. Who was the famous woman who travelled to help soldiers during the Crimean War? A) Mary Seacole* B) Rosa Parks C) A Queen (1 mark)

4. 4. What was Mary Seacole’s job? She was a _____. (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: We celebrate Black History Month to learn about new heroes and old heroes. (True/False) (1 mark)

6. 6. Which quality did many heroes show when they stood up for what was right? A) Kindness* B) Being quiet C) Being tall (1 mark)

7. 7. True or False: Everyone has a story that is worth listening to. (True/False) (1 mark)

8. 8. A person who does something for the first time or leads the way is called a _____. (Use the word bank) (1 mark)

9. 9. True or False: Black History Month is only for grown-ups. (True/False) (1 mark)

10. 10. True or False: Learning about history helps us to be kind and fair to everyone. (True/False) (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of a hero who has helped people in our history. You could draw Mary Seacole with her medical bag!

Extension challenge: Write one sentence about a person you think is a hero. Start your sentence with: 'I think _____ is a hero because...'