

Celebrating Remarkable Lives: My Black History Month Report

Learning objective: To write a non-chronological report about a significant historical figure who has made a positive impact on the world.

Choose a person you have been learning about during Black History Month. Use the prompts below to organise your facts into a report. Remember to use capital letters for names and places, and include exciting adjectives to describe their achievements.

Throughout history, there have been many inspiring individuals who have changed the world through their bravery and dedication.

Word bank: courageous · pioneering · significant · furthermore · in addition · meanwhile · inspired · determination · legacy · consequently · transformative

1. Introduction: Who have you chosen to write about and why are they a significant person in history? Start your sentence with: 'I have chosen to write about...' (2 marks)

2. Early Life: Where and when were they born, and what were they like as a child? Start your sentence with: 'Born in..., this person was known for...' (2 marks)

3. Achievements: What important things did they do to help others or change the world? Explain why their actions were so important. Start with: 'The most impressive achievement was...' (3 marks)

4. Lasting Impact: How do we remember them today? Compare their life to how things might be different if they had not achieved these things. Use the phrase: 'We remember them today because...' (3 marks)

5. Personal Reflection: How does this person's story make you feel? Justify your opinion by referring to a specific quality they possessed, such as their bravery or kindness. (2 marks)

6. Creative Summary: If you could meet this person today, what is one question you would ask them and why? (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Greater Depth Challenge: Imagine you are writing a biography for a museum display. Write a 'Legacy Statement' of 3-4 sentences. Explain why it is vital that we study the lives of diverse historical figures, and justify your answer by explaining how learning about the past helps us build a better future for everyone.