Ellie’s History Hero: A Black History Month Fact-File

Learning objective: To identify and describe the significant achievements of a person from Black history, explaining their impact on our world today.

Choose a person from Black history who has made a difference to our world. Use your research skills to fill in this fact-file. Think carefully about why their actions were important and how they changed things for the future. You may use books from the library or trusted educational websites to help you.

Word bank: courage · achievement · impact · pioneer · legacy · history · change · inspiration

1. Name your chosen History Hero and describe one major achievement they are famous for: (2 marks)

2. Explain why this person is considered a pioneer. What did they do that was new or different? (3 marks)

3. Compare and contrast: How was the world different before they acted, and how is it different now? (4 marks)

4. Justify your answer: Why do you think it is important for us to learn about this person’s life today? (3 marks)

5. What might happen if this person had never stood up for their beliefs or shared their talents? (3 marks)

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

Extension challenge: Create a 'Legacy Poster'. On a separate sheet, draw a symbol that represents your hero's main achievement (for example, a book for an author, or a rocket for an astronaut). Write a short poem or a persuasive speech explaining how you can follow in their footsteps to make the world a kinder place.