

History Assessment: Celebrating Significant People

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

Read each question carefully. Use your knowledge of history to answer in full sentences where required. Write clearly and check your spelling.

In the UK, Black History Month is celebrated every October. It is a time to learn about the history, achievements, and contributions of Black people who have helped shape our society. Throughout history, many individuals have shown great courage to fight for equality and fairness, often overcoming unfair treatment to make the world a better place for everyone.

Word bank: contribution · significant · equality · achievement · courage · injustice · pioneer · legacy

1. In which month do we celebrate Black History Month in the UK? (1 mark) (1 mark)

2. What is the main purpose of Black History Month? (2 marks) (2 marks)

3. Ellie the elephant is learning about Mary Seacole. Why is Mary Seacole considered a significant historical figure in British history? (3 marks) (3 marks)

4. Why is it important to learn about the lives of people who fought for equality in the past? (4 marks) (4 marks)

5. Choose one historical figure you have learned about (e.g., Rosa Parks, Walter Tull, or Mary Seacole). Describe one challenge they faced and one way they changed the world. (5 marks) (5 marks)

6. Max the monkey is trying to calculate how many years ago a historical event happened. If an event happened in 1950, how many years ago was that? (Show your working). (5 marks) (5 marks)

7. Give one example of how we can show respect for history in our own school community today. (5 marks) (5 marks)

Draw: Draw a portrait of a historical figure you have studied and include one symbol that represents their greatest achievement.



Extension challenge: Total: /25. Imagine you are interviewing a historical figure. Write three questions you would ask them to learn more about their life and their bravery.