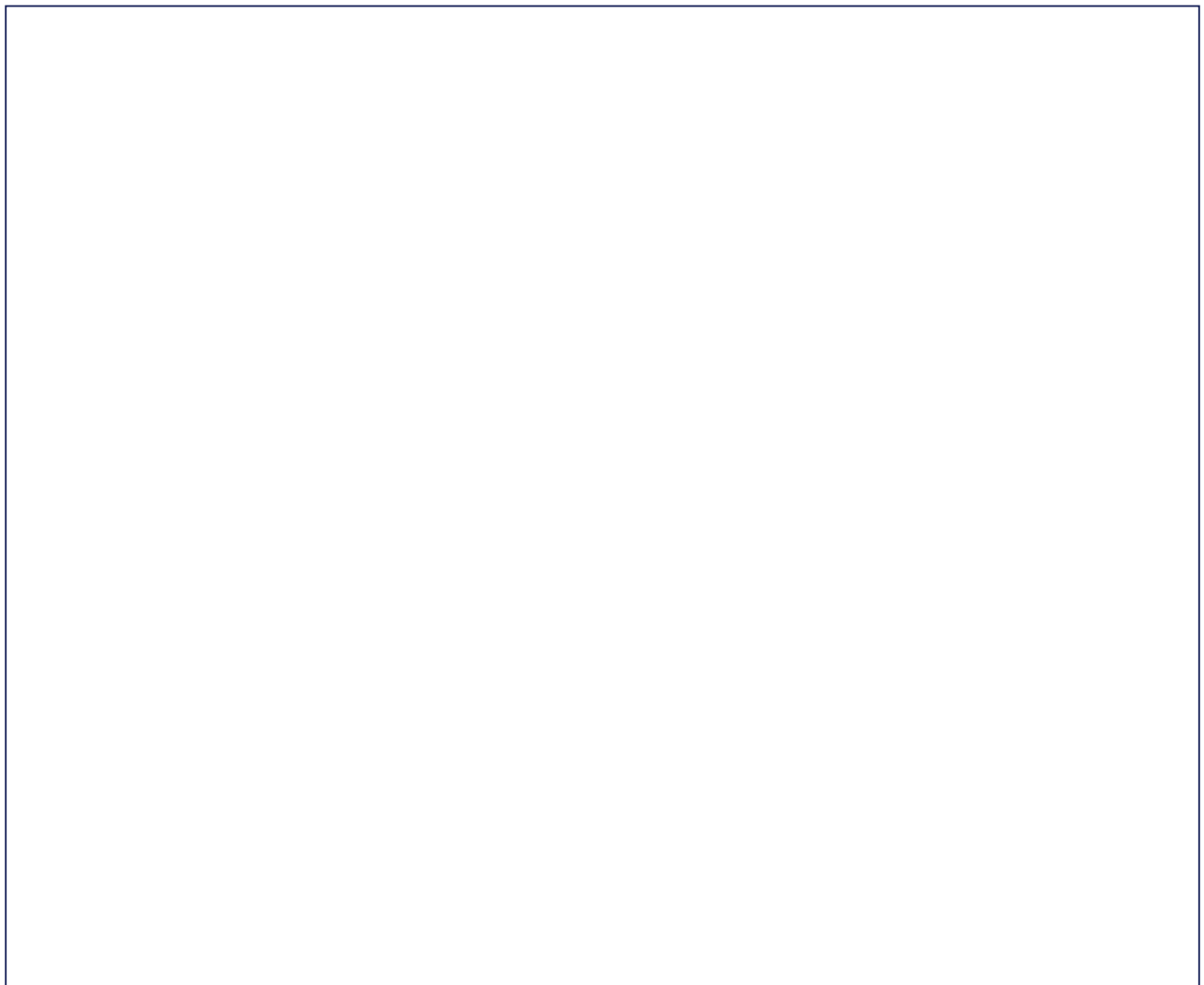


The Arrival of the Empire Windrush

Learning objective: To understand the significance of the Empire Windrush and the Windrush generation in British history.

Help Ellie the Elephant document this famous moment from 1948. Use the word bank and the steps below to create your historical drawing of the HMT Empire Windrush arriving in Britain.

Draw: Draw a busy scene at Tilbury Docks in 1948. In the centre, draw the massive HMT Empire Windrush ship. Show people in their best 1940s clothes (suits and hats) stepping onto the dock with their suitcases. In the foreground, include Ellie the Elephant watching the historic moment. Use pencils to show the details of the ship's railings and the textures of the passengers' wooden trunks.



Label words: Tilbury Docks · Empire Windrush · Caribbean · Suitcases · 1948 · Passengers · London

Steps:

1. Step 1: Draw the large ship and label it 'HMT Empire Windrush'.
2. Step 2: Draw passengers walking down the gangplank carrying suitcases and label their 'luggage'.
3. Recall: In which year did the Empire Windrush arrive at Tilbury Docks?
4. Comprehension: Why were people from the Caribbean invited to Britain at this time?
5. Application: A passenger spends 65p on a snack and 45p on a drink. How much do they spend in total?

6. Label the area of your drawing showing the water as 'The Thames Estuary'.
7. Draw Ellie the Elephant on the dockside with a notebook to record the event and label her 'Ellie the Historian'.