Black History Month: A Legacy of Courage

Learning objective: To research and reflect on the significant contributions of individuals from Black history who have shaped our society.

Choose a significant historical figure from Black history. Use your library books or reliable school-approved websites to complete this fact-file. Ellie the Elephant says: 'Remember to check your dates and think about why this person's actions were so important for the world we live in today!'

Word bank: Legacy · Contribution · Injustice · Advocacy · Pioneer · Resilience · Influence · Change-maker

1. Name and Timeline: Write the name of your chosen person and record the dates they were born and (if applicable) passed away. Why is it important to remember these specific dates? (2 marks)

2. The Challenge: Describe the main obstacle, injustice, or difficulty that this person faced during their lifetime. (3 marks)

3. The Contribution: What specific actions did this person take to challenge the status quo or improve society? Explain their achievements in your own words. (4 marks)

4. Lasting Impact: How does this person's work continue to affect our lives in the UK today? Think about laws, social attitudes, or opportunities. (3 marks)

5. Personal Reflection: If you could ask this person one question about their life or their journey, what would it be and why? (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Write a short poem or a 'hero's profile' inspired by your chosen figure. Use at least four words from the word bank to explain why they are a true pioneer.