



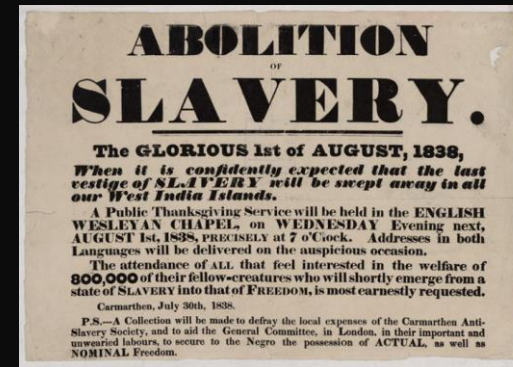
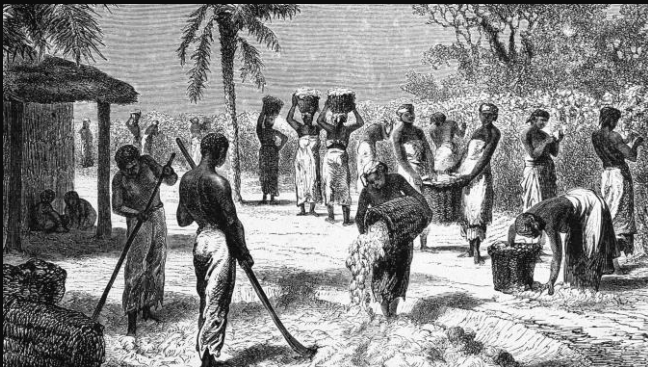
BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Reclaiming Narratives



True or False?

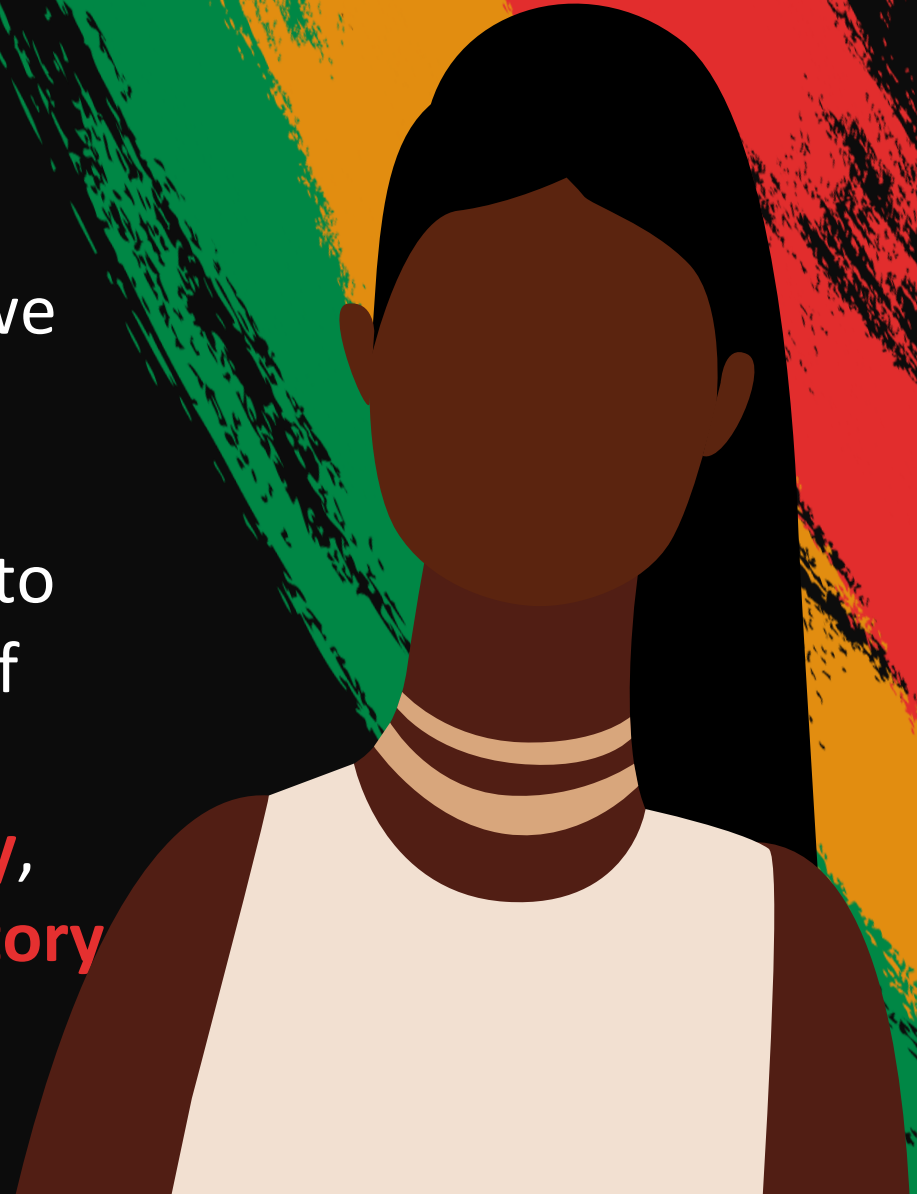
Black History is all about people being enslaved, treated unfairly and fighting for more rights.



Black History

Whilst it is **important** to learn about enslavement and civil rights, as it helps us **understand where racism comes from** so we can challenge it, that is **NOT all there is to Black history**.

This is why we have Black History Month – to **highlight** the **presence** and **contributions** of Black people to the **UK and the world** throughout history, to **promote social unity**, and to teach people about the **positive history** of Black people instead of just racism.





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‘Reclaiming Narratives’.

This year’s theme is about **changing and correcting the narratives** of Black History and to celebrate and **shine a spotlight** on the **untold stories**, the **unsung heroes**, and the **everyday individuals** who have made an positive impact on our communities.

What is black history month?

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**





We're now going to shine a spotlight on some Black pioneers who have had an impact on most of our daily lives. Let's see if you can guess what they invented!



Alice H. Parker, 1895 - unknown

Sick of the **smoke and mess of fireplaces**, Alice H. Parker set out to invent something **more efficient**.

In the cold winter of **December 1919**, Parker created a design for a **central heating furnace design**.

For the first time, **natural gas was burnt** to keep homes warm. This is the **basis of the central heating systems in most modern homes!**

What am I?
I'm expensive to run, especially at the moment.
I'm most needed in the winter.

Garrett Morgan

1877-1962

Garrett Morgan was an **extremely talented inventor**, but unfortunately **was not recognised** for his **contributions** for a long time due to **racism**.

Some of his many inventions include:- **the 3 way traffic light system** we use today, **more efficient sewing machines** and a **'safety hood'** which **firefighters** used to reduce the amount of **smoke** they breathed in.

His idea was used to create **gas masks** that **saved many lives during WW1**.

What am I?
I'm tri-coloured.
I help keep everyone safe
when they're outside.
You'll often find me next to a
zebra of some sort.



Frederick McKinley Jones 1893-1961



What am I?
I'm extremely chill.
I refuse to let things
become spoiled.
I help keep you fed.
I'm used daily all across
the world.

Before McKinley Jones began inventing, the only way to keep **food fresh** it was being transported was to **use ice**. And of course, **ice melts!**

In the **1940s**, He invented **the very first automatic fridge** that could be **used in delivery trucks**. This allowed **shops to have food items delivered without spoiling** – we still use this technology today!

His invention was also **crucial during WWII**, as it was used to **transport blood for blood transfusions** that **wounded soldiers needed**. In more ways than one, his invention has **saved lives**.

There are many other significant people who have contributed to our culture through sports, the arts and science.




WHAT ARE WE
DOING AT
EDMUND
WALLER TO
CELEBRATE
BLACK HISTORY
MONTH?



- Each year group is going to learn about a **significant individual** who has contributed to our culture or daily lives.

- We even have some special visitors arranged...





- This week you will be finding out who you will be focusing on.

- Before half term, we will have another assembly to share the learning from each year group.

