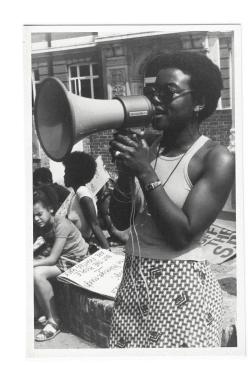


OLIVE MORRIS

KS3 Learning Activities



DEFINITIONS

Head over to this link HERE to learn and test yourself on words in the video!

TEST YOURSELF

- 1. What year was Olive Morris born?
- 2. What groups did Olive Morris form?
- 3. What were some of the ways Olive Morris protested?
- 4. Why do you think the platforms Olive created were important?

RE-WRITE THIS PASSAGE FROM THE NY TIMES INTO A STYLE OF A NEWSPAPER REPORT

Between temporary jobs doing clerical work at various offices, Morris helped set up the Brixton Black Women's Group and the Organization of Women of African and Asian Descent, or OWAAD, the first networks for women of color in Britain. The networks, and OWAAD in particular, had a decisive influence, mobilizing black women to engage in politics and push back against inequalities, particularly in housing and education.

Morris was often one of the loudest voices at demonstrations, including one she helped organize in 1972 after two black children living in public housing died in a fire that was started when their portable heaters were knocked over. The protesters, including 15 children, rallied outside local government offices to demand safer heating in public housing.

Government workers threatened to call the police, but Morris knew the police wouldn't arrest the children, so she told the group to disperse and sent the children inside the government office. Several minutes later, the head of the housing department came outside and agreed to look into the matter. Central heating was soon installed.

WHAT DOES OLIVE MORRIS MEAN TO YOU?

In your own words write about what Olive Morris means to you.

- Max 150 words

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