

# Why is October special?



**BLACK  
HISTORY  
MONTH**

**October 2019**

# Why do we celebrate Black History Month?

- To promote knowledge of black history
- To promote equality
- To show us role models

**British Values- Mutual Tolerance  
and Respect, Equality, Individual  
Liberty**

In the past people thought that black people were different- they were treated very badly.



Rosa Parks



Nelson  
Mandela

# What is it?

- October is [Black History Month](#) which is a time to celebrate black history and culture.
- It was started to acknowledge the contributions that people from Afro-Caribbean backgrounds have made to the country - lots of which aren't taught in schools or widely known about.
- Watch this video-  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/49940939>

# A Question of History

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# Who is it?

- He fought for freedom and racial equality in America.
- He won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964.
- He was killed on April 4th, 1968, in Memphis, Tennessee.
- He had a dream, 'that one day little black boys and girls would be able to join hands with little white boys and girls'.

# Martin Luther King Jr





# Who is it?

- His father is from Kenya and his mother is from Kansas.
- He was born in Hawaii on August 4th, 1961.
- He became the 44<sup>th</sup> American President on November 4th, 2008.
- He is the first African-America president in USA.

# Barack Hussein Obama

44th President of the United States





**Beyonce**



# Who is it?

- When he was 9 months old, his dad sawed off a golf club to make it very short so he could strike the ball into the net.
- When he was 18 months old, he began going to the golf course with Dad.
- One of the most successful golfers in history, winning the Masters Tournament four times, the U.S. Open three times, the PGA Championship four times, and the British Open three times.
- He is sponsored by Nike.

# (Eldrick) Tiger Woods



# Who is it?

- She is a famous actress.
- She played 'Storm' in X-Men and was the leading actress in 'Catwoman'.
- She was the voice 'Cappy' in the film Robots.
- She was the first African-American to win the **Best Actress** award at the Oscars.

# Halle Berry





# Who is it?

- He's British.
- He is the first black person in his sport and to win the big trophy in his sport.
- He drives fast cars.
- He drives a Mercedes.

# Lewis Hamilton



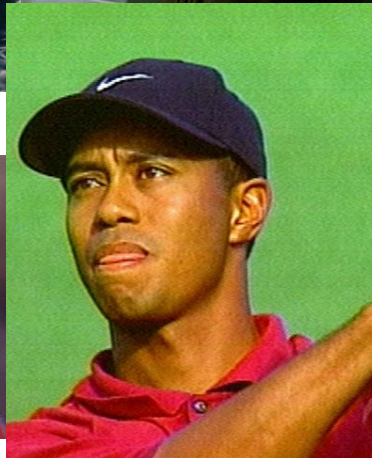
# Who is it?

- He's from Jamaica.
- He is regarded as the fastest man ever.
- He is the first man to hold both the 100m and 200m gold Olympic medals.
- He has a nickname of 'lightning bolt'.

# Usain Bolt



# We know of lots of talented Black and Asian people



Who is your inspiration?

# Today

- Black people and people of minority ethnic groups (BME) still face huge issues in Britain today.
- Discrimination in jobs, pay, housing, the justice system and education all mean that BME groups lag behind their white counterparts.
- In some areas, black people are 18 times more likely to be stopped and searched by police.
- Evidence from studies found companies are more likely to interview white applicants
- 94,098 hate crimes were committed last year in the UK- based on race

# What you can do

- Ensure you treat people fairly- do not judge others on their ethnicity
- Celebrate our differences, but do not mock accents, fashion, religion or culture
- Enjoy the fact we live in a multicultural country!
- Who are your BME heroes?