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David Olusoga
OBE

David is a British historian, writer, broadcaster, presenter, and filmmaker. He is Professor of Public History at the University of Manchester. He has presented historical documentaries on the BBC and contributed to The One Show and The Guardian.

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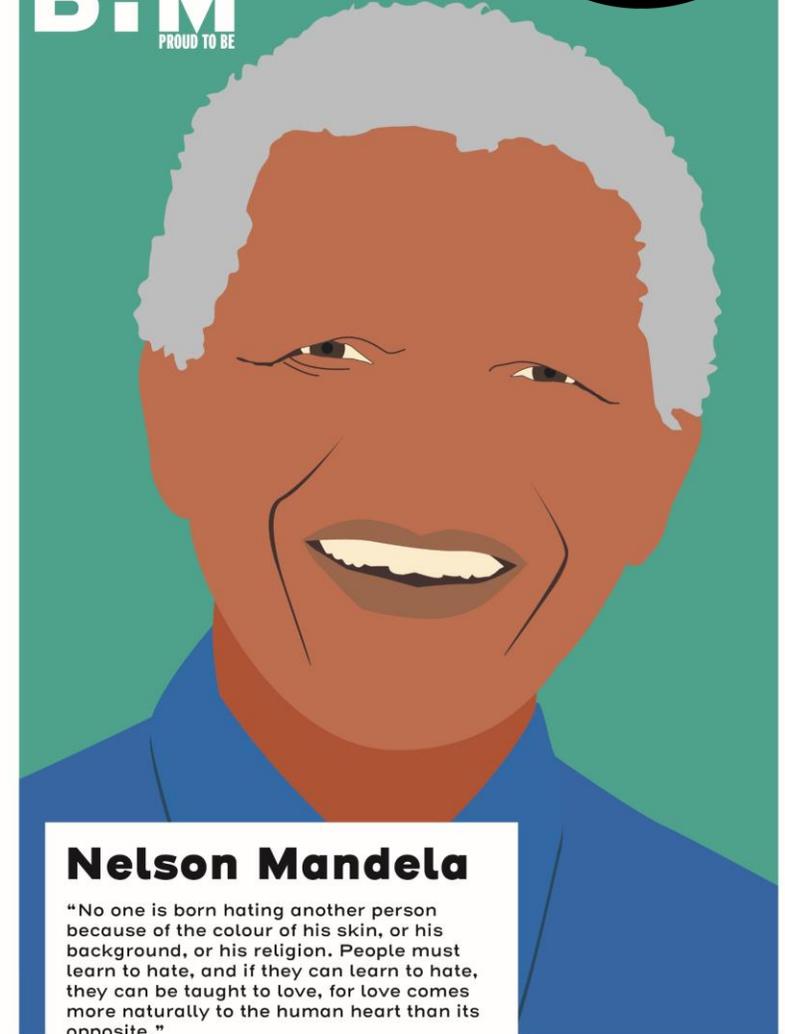
Olive Elaine
Morris

Olive (1952–1979) fought for Black Women's Rights in Britain. In the 27 years, she was alive, Morris raised awareness of inequalities by travelling, writing, organizing protests and setting up support groups.

Monday 18th October:
History

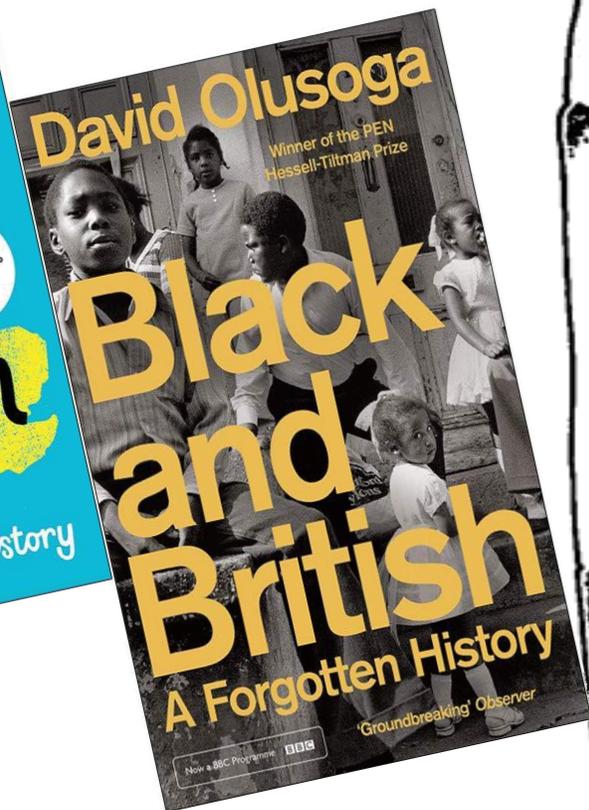
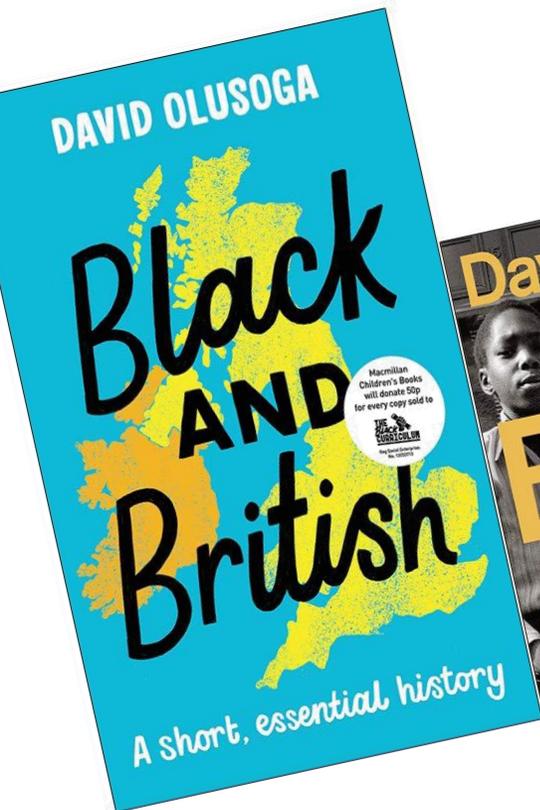
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Nelson Mandela

“No one is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin, or his background, or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite.”



Who? David Olusoga

What? *Trailblazing* research into Black, British History in 'Black and British: A Forgotten History'

Where? Olusoga was born in the North East and later moved to Bristol following incidents of racism

Why? To shed new light on the whitewashing of British history and illustrate the history of Black peoples in Britain and beyond in books for adults and adolescents.

When? British history from the Romans to the modern day

Why might Olusoga's work be considered trailblazing?

What lesson does Mary Beard say we can learn from the Romans?



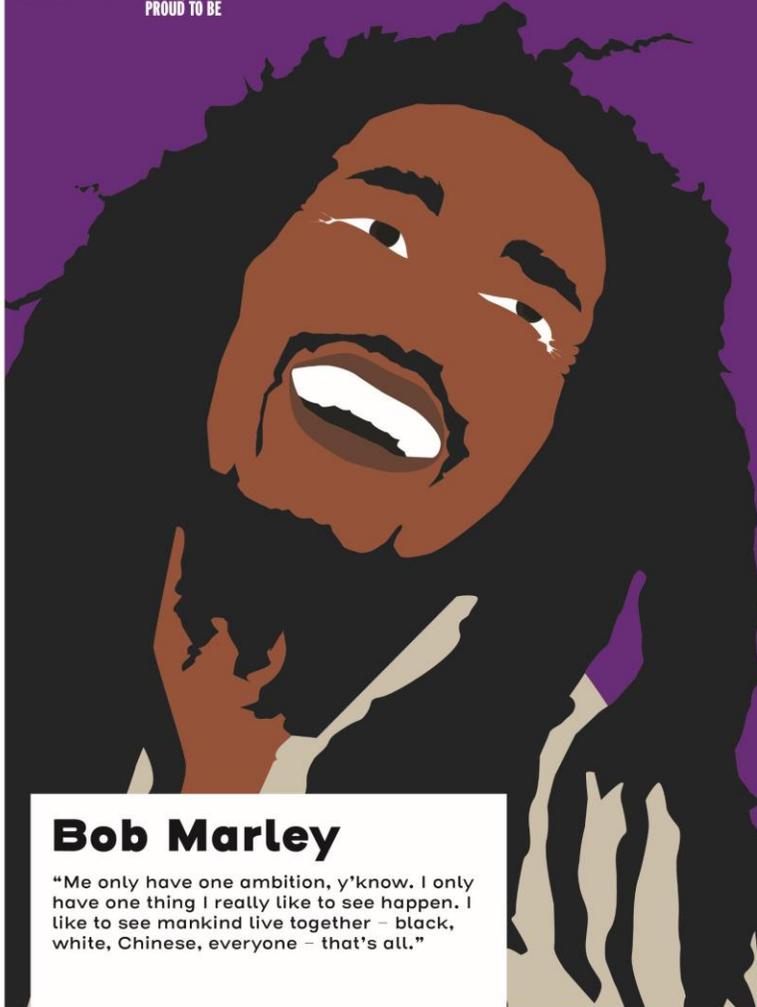
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Dame Shirley Bassey

In 2000, Bassey was appointed a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire (DBE) for services to the performing arts. Bassey is widely regarded as one of the most popular female vocalists in Britain.

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Bob Marley

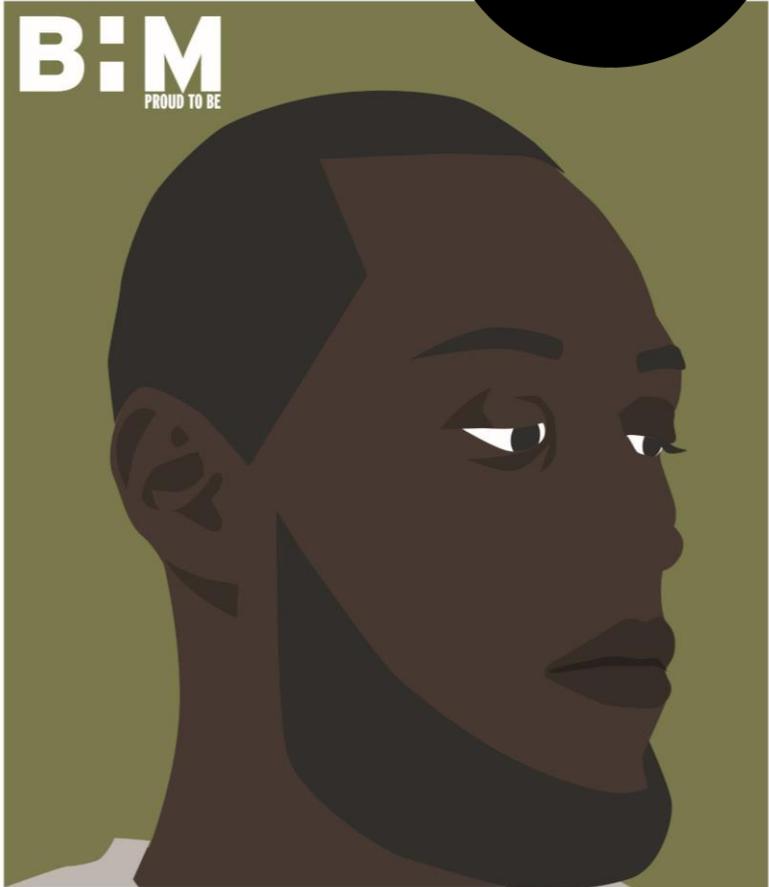
"Me only have one ambition, y'know. I only have one thing I really like to see happen. I like to see mankind live together - black, white, Chinese, everyone - that's all."

**Tuesday 19th October:
Music**

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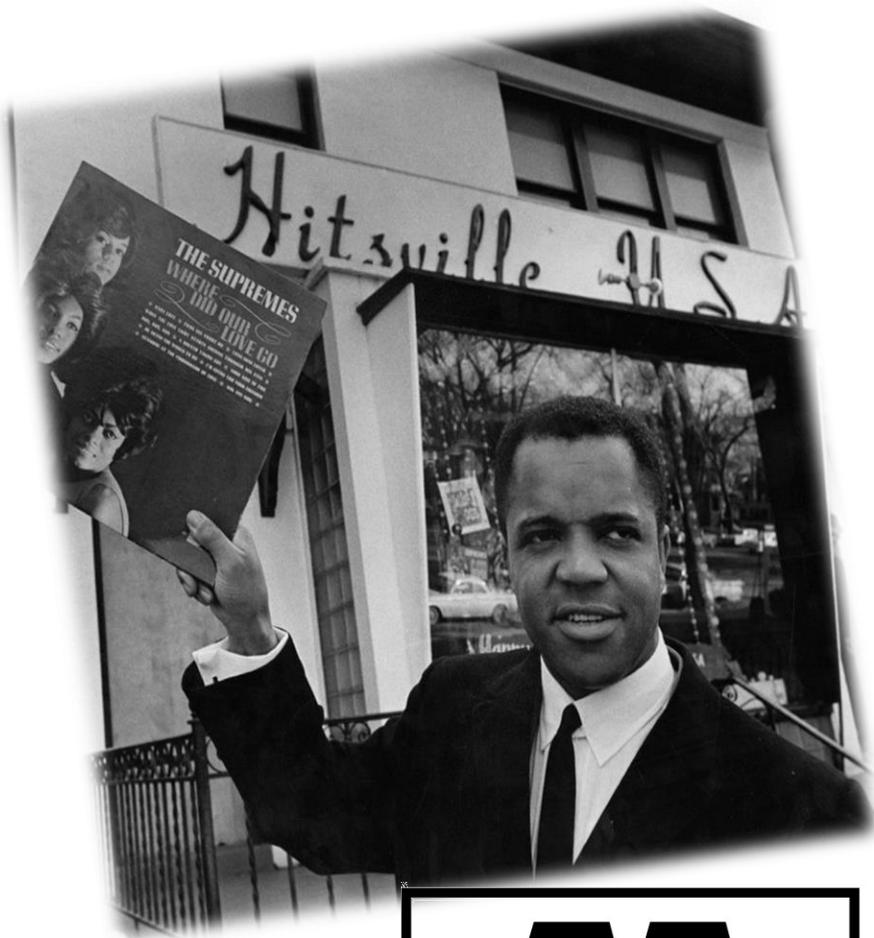
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Stormzy

"My mum was born and raised in Ghana and has a lot of Ghanaian values, traditions, and morals. All that rubbed off on me, and that's why I have a lot of love and good energy in me - that universal energy is a Ghanaian thing."



Who? Berry Gordy Jr.

What? The founder of Motown records located in a two-storey home named Hitsville USA

Where? Detroit, Michigan. Motown was named after the city's prominent motor industry

Why? Musical pioneers created the Motown Sound that broke down racial barriers and united people around the world. Dubbed 'the sound of young America' in a period of social revolution.

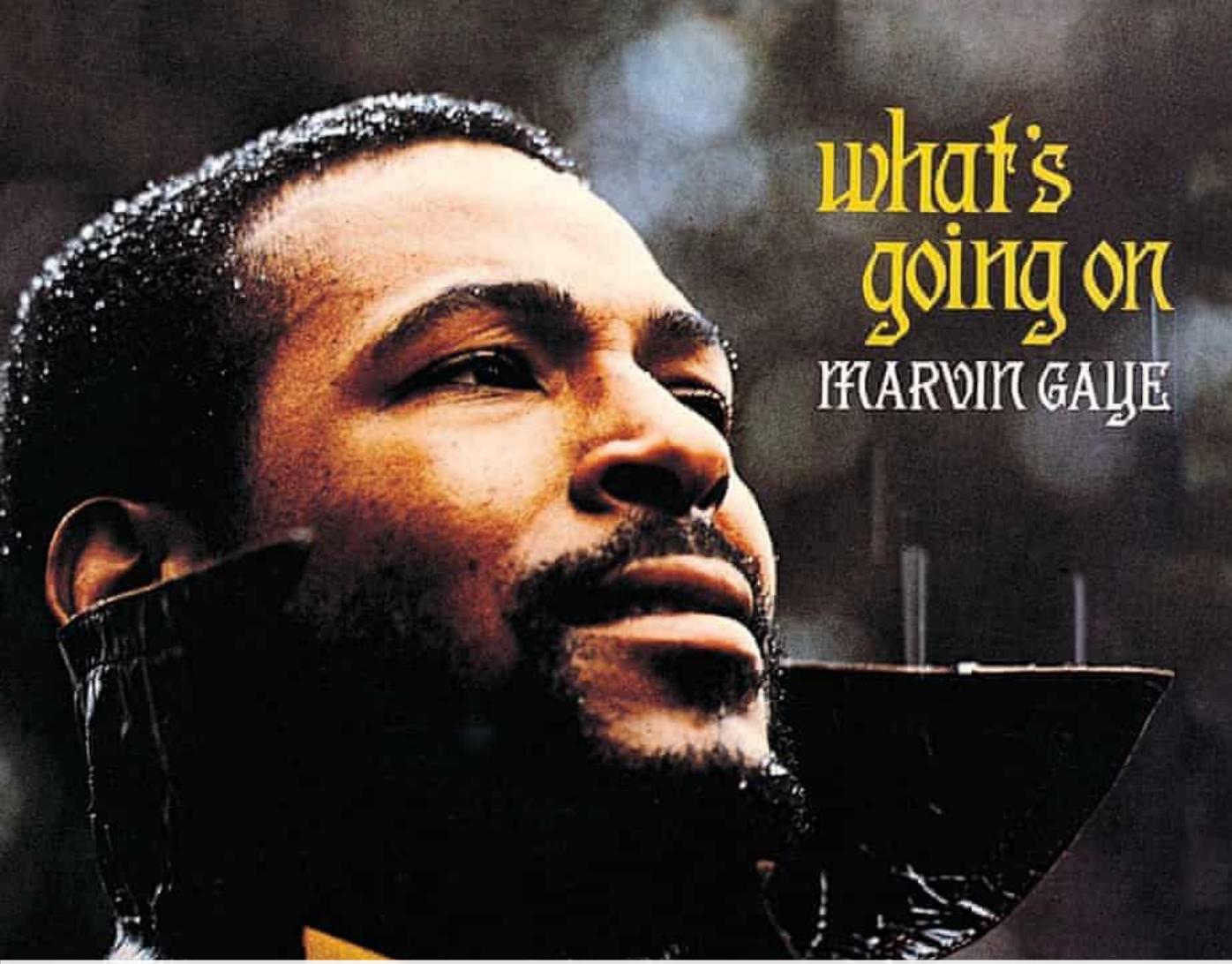
When? Founded in 1959 and has influenced the sound of pop, funk, disco and R&B music ever since

Why do you think Berry Gordy wanted to label Motown as 'the sound of young America'?

In what way was Motown music making a political statement?
Do you think music continues to do this?



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Music as a political statement





Music as a political statement



Music as a political statement

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Sir Trevor McDonald OBE

Sir Trevor McDonald OBE Britain's first black TV new reporter, best known for his career as a news presenter with ITN. He was knighted in 1999 for his services to journalism and awarded with a BAFTA fellowship in 2011.

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Edward Enninful OBE

Edward Kobina Enninful OBE is Editor in Chief of British Vogue. He was appointed fashion director of British fashion magazine i-D at the age of 18, a position he held for over two decades.

**Wednesday 20th October:
English**

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Claudia Jones

Claudia (1915–1964) was a feminist, political activist, visionary, and pioneering journalist. In 1958, she founded the West Indian Gazette (WIG), an anti-racist newspaper campaigning for social equality.



Who? Edward Enninful

What? The first Black Editor-in-Chief of British Vogue and tipped to be Anna Wintour's (Vogue USA) successor

Where? Notting Hill, London

Why? "I was always othered. You know, gay, working-class, Black. So for me it was very important with *Vogue* to normalize the marginalized, because if you don't see it, you don't think it's normal."

When? Editor-in-Chief since 2017 and has ran a 'Forces For Change' series in the magazine since 2019.

What subjects are being addressed in Enniful's 'force for change' series?



How might Edward Enniful be a 'force for change' himself?



GUEST EDITED BY HER ROYAL HIGHNESS
THE DUCHESS OF SUSSEX

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Mary Seacole

"Death is always terrible—no one need be ashamed to fear it. How we bear it depends much upon our constitutions. I have seen some brave men, who have smiled at the cruellest amputation, die trembling like children; while others, whose lives have been spent in avoidance of the least danger or trouble, have drawn to their last painful breath like heroes, striking at their foe to the last, robbing him of his victory, and making their death a triumph."

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Maggie Aderin-Pocock MBE

Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock MBE is a space scientist, author and BAFTA-nominated broadcaster, whose passion is presenting science to general audiences.

**Thursday 21st October:
STEM**

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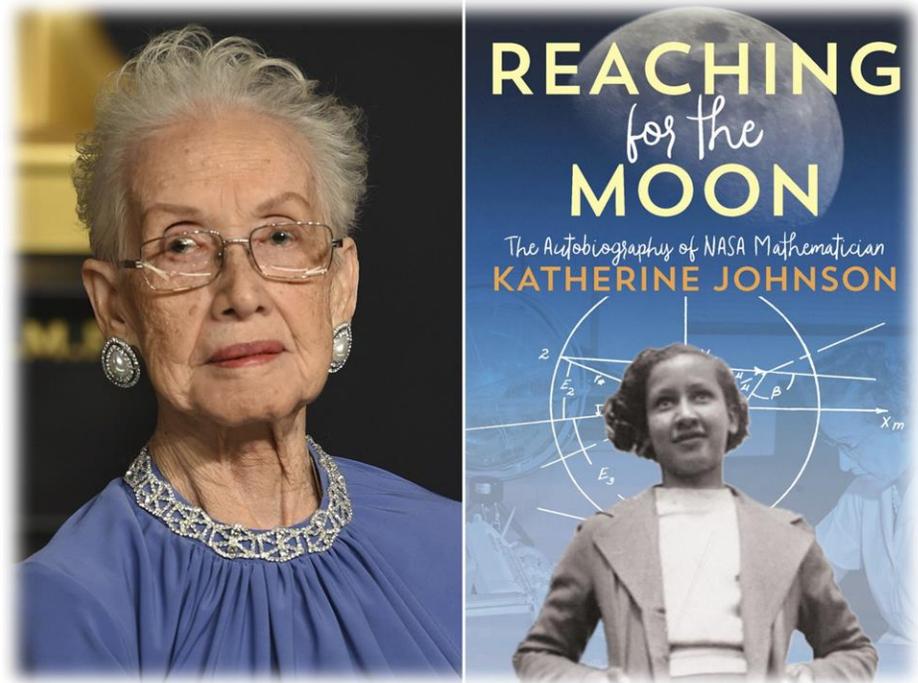
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Katherine Johnson

"Take all the courses in your curriculum. Do the research. Ask questions. Find someone doing what you are interested in! Be curious!"



Who? Katherine Johnson

What? One of the first women employed to work for NASA as a mathematic researcher

Where? West Virginia

Why? Nicknamed 'The Computer' in her role as a researcher, Johnson had always loved to count and started high school at only 10 years old!

When? Johnson worked with NASA during the height of the Cold War/Space Race with the USSR. Her research went far to put the first American in space and first men on the moon

What barriers did Johnson overcome in her professional career?



Why is Johnson an icon?

Consider:

- Obstacles overcome
 - Job role
 - Cold War

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Usain Bolt

“Worrying gets you nowhere. If you turn up worrying about how you’re going to perform, you’ve already lost. Train hard, turn up, run your best and the rest will take care of itself.”

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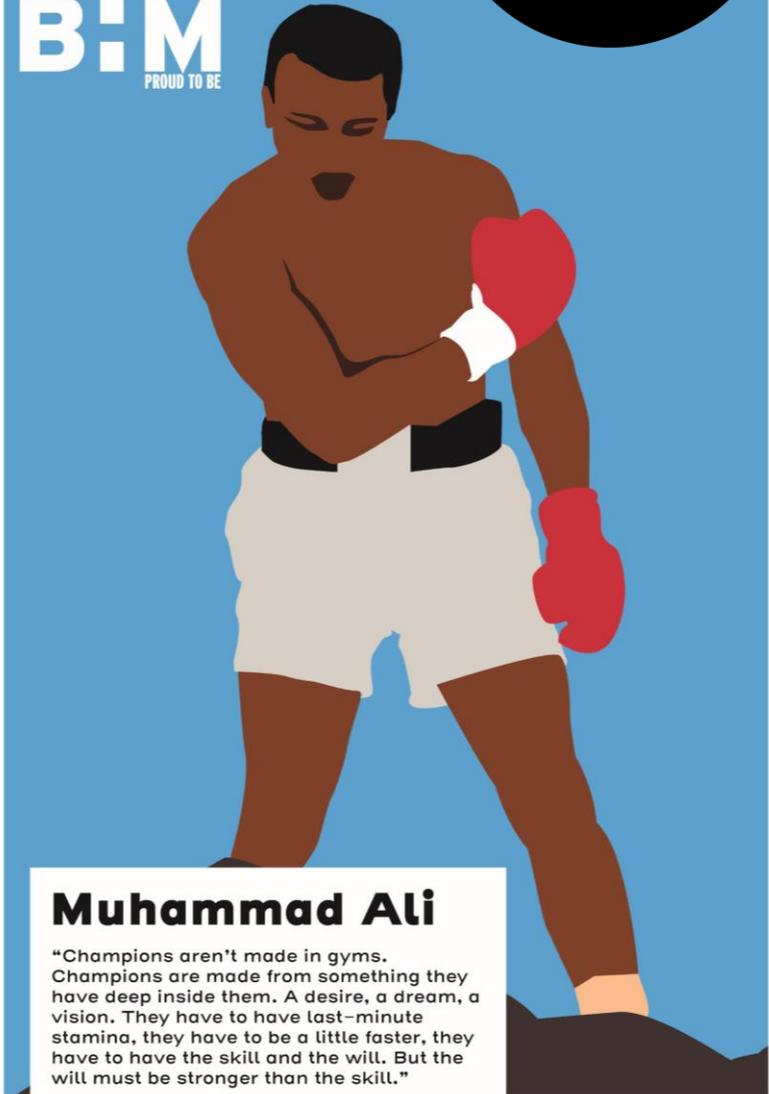
Ade Adepitan

“You are in control of your dream and your ambition: no one can take away what you want to be, but you need to find it, so keep trying different things until you find your passion.”

Friday 22nd October: Physical Education

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Muhammad Ali

“Champions aren’t made in gyms. Champions are made from something they have deep inside them. A desire, a dream, a vision. They have to have last-minute stamina, they have to be a little faster, they have to have the skill and the will. But the will must be stronger than the skill.”



Who? Bill Richmond

What? Britain's first Black sports star as a bare knuckle boxer

Where? Born into slavery in the USA, Richmond was later brought to England by Lord Percy and rose to such fame that he was an usher at the coronation of George IV

Why? Freed from slavery at the age of 13, Richmond was educated and provided for in York. Richmond was one of 10-20 000 Black people in Georgian Britain – of which there will be 2-3 million descendants today

When? Georgian Britain, 1714-1837

In what way was
Richmond a national
hero?



What does Richmond's
story tell us about race
in sport? Is there a
different story to tell in
21st Century?



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p04gk0h9>

What lessons can we learn from the Wright family about racism in sport today?

Are bottom-up or top-down changes more likely to result in substantial change?



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“What is important is that this history is celebrated, not just in October, but for the rest of the year. It is important that it is integrated into the National Curriculum, in books, in resources, exhibitions, archives and television.”

– Dr Hakim





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