English

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Objective: To research and make notes for a biography.

Success Criteria

- 1. I can use a search engine to find information about my inspirational person.
- 2. I can read and understand information about my inspirational person.
- 3. I can organise my notes into sections about different parts of my inspirational person's life.
- 4. I can use bullet points for my notes.

Starter: word types

Which word types are in this sentence?

As I jumped down the steps, my giant dog barked instantly.

verbs:

nouns:

adverb:

determiners:

Who will you write about?

- Today you are going to research a person to write your biography about.
- It is best to choose a famous person because there is lots that you can find out about them.
- Your person should be inspirational this means they have done something that you admire, or something impressive, or made a difference to the world.
- Our Courageous Advocates are good examples of these people. You could always choose one of these to write about.

Here are some examples:

- Florence Nightingale
- MalalaYousafzai
- Edmund Hillary
- Barak Obama
- Rosa Parks
- Nelson Mandela
- Mary Seacole
- Steve Urwin
- David Attinborough
- Mary Anning
- Steve Jobs
- Marcus Rashford
- Stephen Hawking
- J K Rowling
- Kadeena Cox
- Helen Keller
- Marie Curie
- Usain Bolt

Using a search engine for research

- Use a search engine to find information about someone.
- It is helpful to write 'for children' or 'for kids' in your search to make sure the information is easy to understand.
- You could watch videos for children on Youtube about your person and make notes.
- These are good websites for research: Nat Geo Kids

Ducksters

The school run

Kiddle

Primary homework help

Britannica Kids

BBC bitesize

• When you read information, write short-hand bullet point notes using just the important information. Not long sentences or paragraphs!

You will need to find out all of this...

- They were born in...
- They were born on the date... in the year...
- Their full name is...
- They are famous for...
- They are inspirational because...
- Their family is...
- Their children are...
- Their parents are...
- They lived in...

- They went to school/college/university in...
- Their famous books are...
- Their famous awards are...
- Some quotes from them...
- Some interesting facts...
- Their favourite foods are...
- When they were little they wanted to...
- The shows/films they have been in are...

Your task

Make notes about your inspirational person using bullet points.

Try to make your notes organised by using subheadings - key dates, family, childhood, achievements.

You may wish to divide your page into sections (key dates, family, childhood, achievements) etc.

Or after you have finished making your notes, you could colour code the bullet points to sort them into sections.

There is a 1* support plan on the next slide.

1* support plan - Follow this plan to make your notes.

1. Biography title:

2. Introduction (5 Ws) Who they are:

What they are famous for:

When it happened:

Where it happened:

Why they are famous today:

3. Key events/dates in their life: Born/died/married/moved to another

country/started a job/made achievement

4. Time openers/conjunctions: List 5 that you will use

5. Conclusion: What do they teach us?

Why will they always be remembered?