



History Knowledge Organiser

Year 2

Rosa Parks



Key Knowledge

- Rosa Parks was from America. She lived in South America in a town called Montgomery.
- Rosa Parks fought against inequality to make the world we live in today a fairer place.
- Rosa Parks lived during a time where black and white people were not treated equally.
- The law said that black and white people had to go to different schools, use different toilets and black people had to sit at the back of buses. These rules were known as segregation laws.
- Black people had to give up their seats to white people if the bus was full, but one day Rosa refused to stand up. She then got arrested and had to pay a fine for breaking the law.
- The black people of Montgomery were also fed up of being treated differently. They decided to boycott the buses for a whole year!
- As a result of her and others' actions the courts made segregation unlawful.
- There are some similarities between Rosa Parks and Mary Seacole. Both women were treated differently because of the colour of their skin but they did not let this stop them.
- Rosa Parks is significant because her actions helped change the law.



Key Vocabulary

Spelling	Definition
Law	Rules that must be followed to keep the peace.
Segregation laws	Laws that separate people based on race or gender.
Protest	Actions expressing disapproval can be peaceful or violent.
Boycott	When you stop buying or using a service because you don't approve of it.
Government	The group of people who control the country.
Inequality	Not being equal to other groups of people.