

Year 2 – Autumn Term History – How do people become famous?

Vocabulary and Glossary

Activist	A person who feels strongly about helping people, other living things or the planet. They protest to make things happen.
Monarch	A king or queen who rules a kingdom
Year	A year is 365 days.
Decade	A decade is 10 years
Century	A century is 100 years
Invent	To design or make something that has never been made before
Monument	A structure built to remember a person or event
Plaque	A flat piece of metal or stone with writing on it
Protest	An event where people come together to show that they are unhappy about something
Significant	Something that is important
Scientist	A person who discovers or invents new things
Artist	A person who creates works of art, including music, plays, poems, paintings, dances or sculptures

What does it mean to be significant?

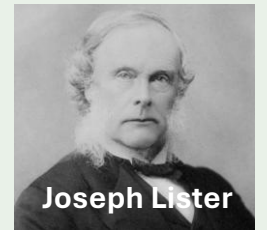
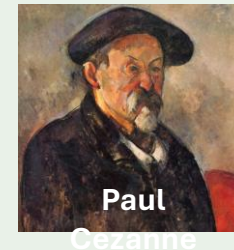
A Dawson's model is a set of five statements that help historians to decide if a person is historically significant. The statements are:

- They made big changes in their lifetime
- They made a lot of people's lives better or worse
- They changed the way people think
- Their ideas are still used today
- They were a very good or very bad role model



Significant people can be activists, explorers, scientists, artists or monarchs.

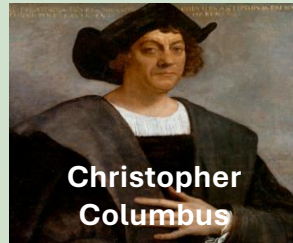
Which people from the past were significant and when did they live?



How do people become famous?

How was life different for Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong?

- Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong were both explorers.
- Columbus was the first European person to discover the Americas in 1492 and Armstrong was the first person to walk on the moon in 1969.
- Columbus travelled by ship but Armstrong travelled by space rocket.
- Columbus used a compass and the stars to navigate but Armstrong used computer systems.
- The equipment, clothing and food they had were very different to one another.



What is a memorial?

- A memorial is made to remind people of a significant person or event.
- Memorials can include statues, monuments, plaques and stamps.



Statue of Emmeline Pankhurst

Monument to Captain James Cook



Plaque for Mary Anning

Stamp of Mahatma Gandhi

Are there any significant local people?

- Robin Hood is a significant person in Nottinghamshire.
- He is believed to have lived around 800 years ago.
- He lived in Sherwood Forest with his band of outlaws.
- Robin is remembered for stealing from the rich to give to the poor.
- There is a statue of Robin Hood outside Nottingham Castle.
- Historians cannot be sure that Robin Hood actually existed!



Who is having an impact on our lives today?

- Significant people are still making big changes in the world today.

