

Windrush



Empire: a group of countries ruled over by a single monarch or ruling power.

Mother Country: the country that rules over its colonies.

Colonisation: settlement and control over the people and location by those from another country.

Freedom: the right to act, speak or think as one wants and not be imprisoned or enslaved by another.

Immigration: the process of moving to another country with plans to live there forever.

Migrant: a person who has chosen to live in a country where they were not born.

Citizenship: being a legal member of a country and having rights there.

Nationality: which country a person was born in.

Racism: the belief that some races are better than others and the **racist** actions that can happen from those beliefs.







In 1948, Britain was starting to recover from World War 2. Thousands of buildings had been bombed and lots of houses were destroyed – it all needed to be rebuilt. Many Caribbean men and women had served in the British armed forces because at the time they were part of the British Empire. After the war, some of these people answered an advert to come to Britain where there were lots of different jobs to do. Other people just wanted to see Britain which they had heard lots about.

JOBS

There were lots of jobs that were needed in Britain at the time including: mechanics, carpenters, cleaners, hospital workers, bus drivers, cleaners and postal delivery workers.

Many of the passengers settled in the area of Brixton, in London, which led to the development of Caribbean communities in the area.

EMPIRE WINDRUSH KEY FACTS

- HMT Empire Windrush was used to bring the West Indian migrants to Tilbury Docks, Essex, UK
- Windrush arrived on 21 June 1948
- 1,027 passengers were on board
- Cost of travel £28

