

Extraordinary People

Who was? (Write the name of your chosen person here.)

In this reading project you will choose an interesting personality and read their biography.

Find out lots of interesting things about the person of your choice.

Before you start reading, look at the tasks for this little project.



While reading the book, collect information and take notes in this booklet. This will make it very easy for you to present your extraordinary character to the class at the end of this project.

1. Before you start reading

Look at the book cover, the blurb (the back of the book) and the pictures inside the book. What do the pictures tell you about this extraordinary person?

Guess and take notes. Fill this box with LOTS of ideas – not just 5 words! After reading your book, you can come back here and check if you were right.

3. Childhood and Youth

While reading, collect information about your extraordinary person's childhood and original family. Collect lots of interesting facts and ideas.

What was that person's childhood like?
Where did the person grow up? What was this place like?
Did he/she have any brothers and sisters? Who else was important to the person?
What did the person like/dislike in their childhood?
What kind of personality traits did the person have? Choose from the words below and write them here:
messy lazy clumsy shy cheerful grumpy absent-minded loud rude hardworking touchy selfish talkative friendly easy-going quiet
What obstacles or challenges did this person experience as a child? How did the person overcome them?
Any other interesting information about the person's childhood

4. Adult life:

What job(s) did the person have? What did they do in these jobs?
What were the person's goals and dreams in life? What was important to him/her?
What obstacles or challenges did the person experience in adult life?
How did he/she overcome them? What did the person do to succeed?

5. Any other interesting things that you have found out about this extraordinary person.

5. Sum it up:

What made this person famous? Why do you admire this person?