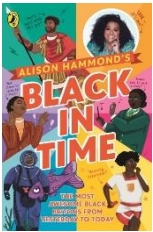


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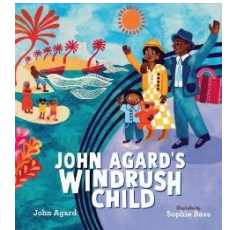


Alison Hammond (author) - Alison Hammond's Black in time

How many Black people can you name from our history? Mary Seacole? Ira Aldridge? Walter Tull? Have you heard of these people? Yes? That's great! But if you haven't, don't worry, you're not alone, which is why I'm so excited to tell you all about them. And we're not going to stop in the past, I'll introduce you to people making waves right here and now! So, are ready for you a journey Black in time? Course you are, let's go!

John Agard (author) and Sophie Bass (illustrator) - John Agard's Windrush child

With one last hug, a child says goodbye to his grandmother and the shores of his Caribbean home before stepping into an adventure across the ocean. With stunning, thoughtful lyricism, John Agard recalls the journey made by thousands of West Indians who travelled to Britain as part of the Windrush Generation between 1948 and 1971.

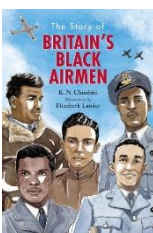
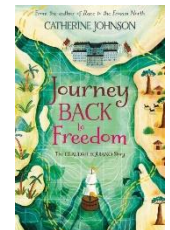


Patrice Lawrence (author) and Jeanetta Gonzales (illustrator) - Our story starts in Africa

When Paloma goes to visit her family in Trinidad, she doesn't feel that she fits in. But Tante Janet has a story to tell her that Paloma shares in too. Join Tante and her inquisitive niece as they share the story of how her family came to the Caribbean, through the dark days of colonization and slavery, to the emergence of a thriving, contemporary community of many faces, places and successes.

Catherine Johnson (author) and Katie Hickey (illustrator) - Journey back to freedom: the Olaudah Equiano story (dyslexia friendly)

Born in what is now Nigeria in 1745, Olaudah Equiano's peaceful childhood was brought to an abrupt end when he was captured and enslaved aged 11. When he was finally able to buy his freedom, he went on to become a prominent member of the abolition movement and in 1789 published one of the first books by a Black African writer.



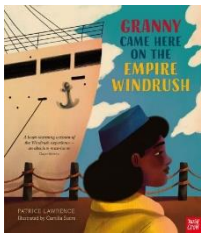
K.N. Chimbiri (author) and Elizabeth Lander (illustrator) - The story of Britain's black airmen

Explore the fascinating, rarely heard stories of Black airmen during the First and Second World Wars. From pilots to ground crew, and with tales from across the globe, the story of Britain's Black airmen is an important part of the history of flying. By aiming for the skies, many of them helped to bring about changes that are still making our world a better place.

Tarah L. Gear (author) and Mirna Imamovic (illustrator) - Just like Grandpa Jazz

A suitcase of stories from Grandpa Jazz brings Frank's rich Mauritian heritage to life, but it might also be the start of an epic adventure.



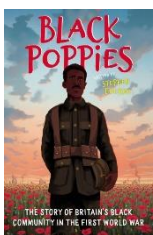


Patrice Lawrence (author) and Camilla Sucre (illustrator) - Granny came here on the Empire Windrush

Ava is asked to dress as an inspirational figure for assembly at school, but who should she choose? Then Ava finds a mysterious old suitcase and Granny begins to share her own history, and how she came to England on the Empire Windrush. As Ava listens, she realises that there is a hero very close to home that she wants to celebrate.

Gwendolyn Hooks (author) and Margaux Carpentier (illustrator) - Planting peace

Wangari Maathai began the Green Belt Movement in Kenya in the 1960s, which focused on planting trees, environmental conservation and women's rights. She inspired thousands across Africa to plant 30 million trees in 30 years, saving many from hunger and poverty.

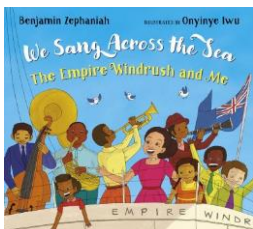
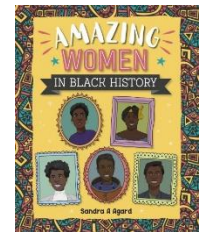


Stephen Bourne (author) - Black poppies: the story of Britain's Black community in the First World War

In this young readers' edition of Black Poppies, Stephen Bourne takes us on a hero-filled journey. Explore the many and extraordinary ways in which Black people helped Britain fight the First World War, on the battlefield and at home.

Sandra A. Agard (author) and Richy Sanchez Ayala (illustrator) - Amazing women in Black history

In this book, we're going to meet 15 amazing Black women. Learn about Mary Prince, the first Black woman to publish her life story; Sister Rosetta Tharpe, the Godmother of rock and roll; and Dina Asher-Smith, the fastest British woman in history!



Benjamin Zephaniah (author) and Onyinye Iwu (illustrator) - We sang across the sea: the Empire Windrush and me

The hopes, dreams, and bravery of the Windrush generation are expressed in this vivid story through the real-life experiences of Trinidadian musician, Mona Baptiste.

Zoe Tucker (author) and Amanda Quartey (illustrator) - We are the NASA scientists

When Mary Jackson got a job at NASA, it was a dream come true! But this was a time when Black people were segregated from white people, and Mary had to fight hard for every opportunity. In 1953, Mary started working alongside Kaz Czarnecki. Together, they worked on amazing experiments and achieved incredible things, like working to land astronauts on the moon.



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