

Year 6 Autumn Unit: Migration through Time - Enquiry Question: How far have the stories of migration to Britain been the same from the Middle Ages to the present?



The Empire Windrush

**Passenger Opportunity
To United Kingdom**
Troopship "EMPIRE WINDRUSH" sailing
about 23rd MAY.
Fares:— Cabin Class £48
Troopdeck £28
Royal Mail Lines, Limited—8 Port Royal St.



Historical Concept: change & continuity, similarity & difference

Key Unit Facts

- People migrate due to a number of push and pull factors.
- The Middle Ages saw little migration, but England's rise as a trading power in the sixteenth century started migration to Britain.
- In 1517, a new version of Christianity, Protestantism, began because of disagreements with the Catholic Church.
- The Huguenots were Protestants who lived in a predominately Catholic France in the 1500s.
- In 1572, 30,000 Catholics and Protestants died in the 'St. Bartholomew's Day Massacre'.
- In 1598, the Edict of Nantes was drawn up which allowed Protestants to practise their faith.
- Throughout history, people have fled from France to Britain because of its geographical proximity.
- The British Nationality Act was introduced in 1948 because the country faced labour shortages.
- In June 1948, the Windrush boat arrived in Essex from the Caribbean. It is seen as a symbol of post-war migration.
- Between 1948 and 1970, nearly half a million people moved from the Caribbean to Britain.
- Since Caribbean people had been invited to come to Britain, the discrimination they faced on arrival was a shock and not what they had been prepared for.
- In April 2018, a scandal broke which saw the UK government apologise for deportation threats to members of the Windrush Generation.



The Notting Hill race riots

Key Unit Vocabulary

Emigration - the act of leaving one's own country to settle permanently in another

Famine - extreme scarcity of food

Persecution - hostility and ill-treatment, especially because of race, political or religious beliefs

Protestants - a member or follower of any of the Western Christian Churches



The St Bartholomew's Day massacre

