

Word of the Week

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Heritage

(noun)

Are you familiar with this word?

What does it mean?

Can you use it in a sentence?

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Definition

A person's racial, religious or cultural identity that has come to them through their family.

The traditions, characteristics, achievements, values, and features of a particular society or group that are passed down from one generation to the next.

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Task

Add **heritage** to your word of the week record sheet (page 18 of your planner).

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Record (verb)
To set down in writing for later reference.

“Use this page to **record** each Word of the Week”

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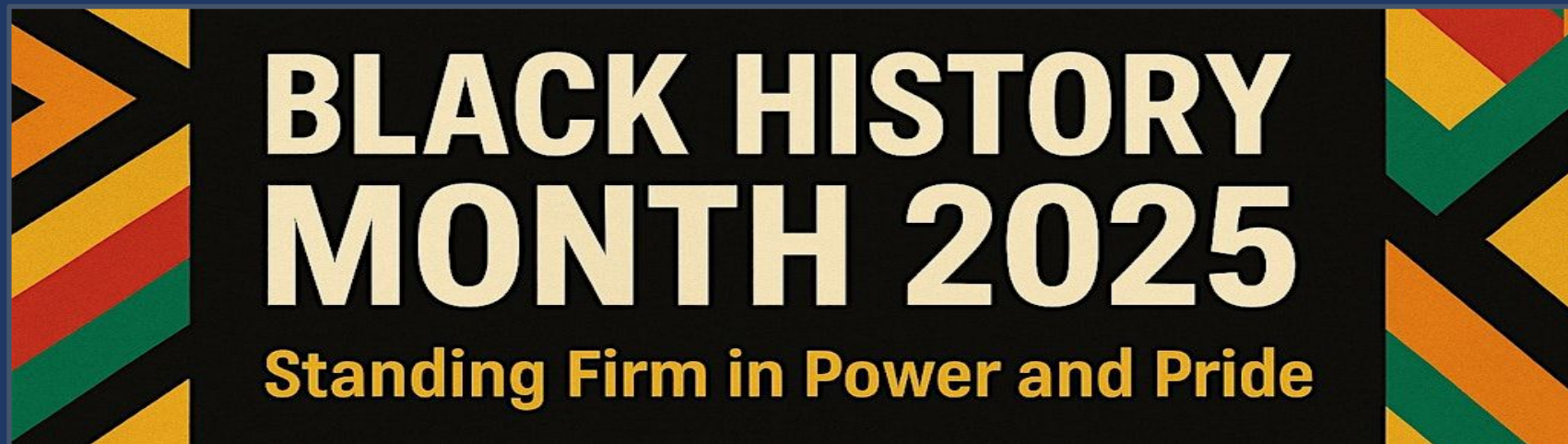
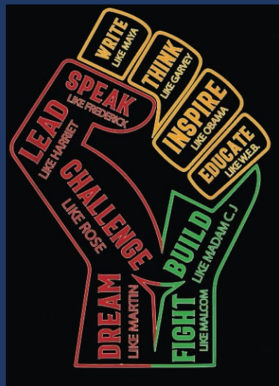
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Black History Month UK 2025



This year's theme is:

Standing Firm in Power and Pride

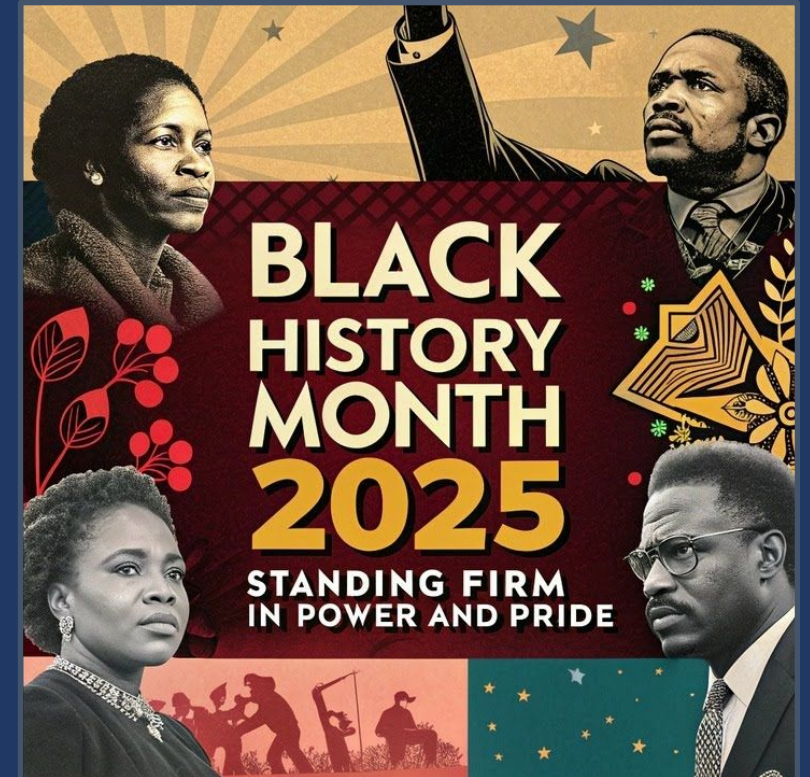


Standing Firm in Power and Pride

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“Standing Firm in Power and Pride” challenges all of us to:

- Recognise the achievements and sacrifices of those who came before us.
- Learn from their stories to shape a more inclusive future.
- Celebrate **heritage** and identity as sources of strength, not division.



Discuss: How can celebrating your heritage show power and pride?

Akyaaba Addai-Sebo: Founder of BHM UK

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Key information:

- Born in Ghana in 1950.
- Part of Kwame Nkrumah's Young Pioneers Movement.
- Moved to the U.S. in the 1970s and learned about Black History Month there.
- Worked with influential scholars and activists in the UK.
- Arrived in London in 1984 as a refugee from Ghana.
- Joined the Greater London Council (GLC) as a Black History Coordinator.
- Inspired by a conversation about the lack of Black history in education.
- Launched the first UK Black History Month on October 1988.

Discuss:

1. What motivated Akyaaba Addai-Sebo to introduce Black History Month in the UK?
2. How does his story reflect power and pride?
3. How can we continue to honour and build upon the legacy of Black History Month today?

