

## **OTHERS DAY**

## Historical Figures

Help your students learn about someone "other" than themselves in a quick virtual lesson! This is a mini research project while in a zoom (virtual) class with you. Part of the fun is going fast!

Let your students know they will be "flash researching" a person that made the world a better place and is creating ripples of kindness. They may choose a historical figure that they admire, or they can choose from the list below.

Historical Figure is defined as a person who lived in the past and whose deeds exerted a significant impact on other people's lives and consciousness. These people helped OTHERS in their community or possibly reached even farther.

## List of Potential Historical Figures

- 1. Nelson Mandela
- 2. Malala Yousafzai
- 3. Ruth Bader Ginsburg
- 4. Mahatma Gandhi
- 5. Martin Luther King Jr.
- 6. Niels Bohlin
- 7. Bryan Stevenson
- 8. Maurice Ralph Hilleman
- 9. Vasili Arkhipov and Stanislav Petrov
- 10. Norman Borlaug
- 11. Henrietta Lacks
- 12. Eugene Lazowski
- 13. Willis Carrier
- 14. Rick Rescorla
- 15. Elisabeth Cady Stanton
- 16. Ida B. Wells
- 17. Rachel Carson
- 18. Florence Nightingale
- 19. Aristotle
- 20. Alexander Fleming

Once your students have chosen (or been assigned) their person, have them complete the following steps.

- 1. Research on your computer for 10 minutes only (Not Wikipedia) and answer the following questions about your person.
  - a. Who did you choose and why were you drawn to that person?
  - b. When did they live/die?

Prep Time: 5 minutes to read these directions

\*Make sure your students have the ability to do breakout rooms, share screens and make powerpoints or another format to display

<u>Activity Time:</u> Total- 50-60

Directions-10 minutes

Research-10 minutes

Presentation Slide-10 minutes

Breakout Rooms-20 minutes

- c. What did they accomplish that made a significant impact in the lives of others?
- d. How did it make the world better?
- e. Include one interesting anecdote about the person.
- 2. Make a 1 page presentation- within 10 minutes (Use Powerpoint or other display method)
  - a. Include 2 photos of the person
  - b. A photo, image or description of what they did.
  - c. Their birth and death dates.
- 3. In breakout rooms- take turns spending about 5 minutes each to present your results
  - a. Share your screen with your powerpoint
  - b. discuss the following questions
    - i. Who is your person
    - ii. What did they do
    - iii. How did it make the world better
    - iv. What is your interesting anecdote about them
- 4. Turn in the following items to your teacher.
  - a. Your powerpoint page
  - b. A list of 2-3 things you learned about OTHER people (accomplishments) when your group was presenting