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Fantastic Florence

Florence Nightingale is a famous British nurse who lived from 1820-1910. She helped to make hospitals more sanitary places and wrote books about how to be a good nurse.

Much of what we know about clean, organised hospital conditions today is thanks to Florence's hard work and research. She began her nursing career during the Crimean War and campaigned for better hospital conditions for the wounded soldiers there.

She is considered the founder of modern nursing.

Timeline of Florence Nightingale

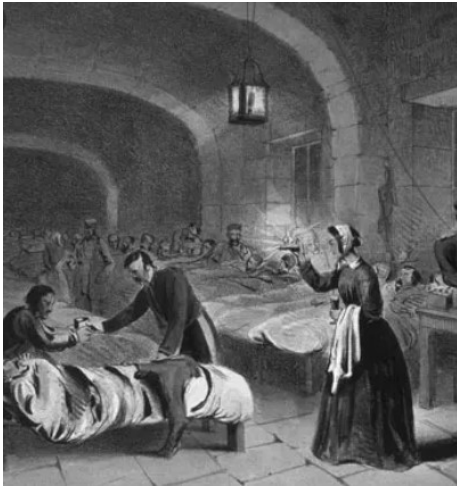| Date	Event
12th May 1820	Born in Florence, Italy.
1851	Goes to Germany to train as a nurse.
1853	Runs a hospital for women in London.
1853	The Crimean War begins.
4th November 1854	Florence and 38 nurses go to Scutari Hospital in Turkey.
1856	The Crimean War ends.
1859	Florence writes her book called 'Notes on Nursing'.
1860	The Nightingale School of Nursing opens.
1883	Queen Victoria gives Florence the Royal Red Cross.
1907	Florence is the first woman to be awarded the Order of Merit.
1910	Florence Nightingale dies aged 90.

Florence Nightingale: The nurse who became famous for her care of the soldiers in the Crimean War.

Crimean War: The war from 1853—1856 between Russia, England, France and Turkey.

Scutari Hospital: The military hospital in Crimea (Turkey) where Florence worked.

National Health Service (NHS): The health service we have today.

Order of Merit: award given to Florence by King Edward VII. She was the first woman to be given this.

Royal Red Cross: An award given to Florence by Queen Victoria in 1883.

The Lady with the Lamp: The name given to Florence by the soldiers in Scutari Hospital.

Victorian Times: a time in history when Queen Victoria ruled.

Mary Seacole

Full name: Mary Jane Grant
Born: 1805
Hometown: Kingston, Jamaica
Occupation: Nurse and business woman
Died: 14 May 1881
Best known for: Her work in helping the sick and wounded – particularly during the Crimean War.
Also known as: Mother Seacole
Mary Seacole is significant because she went to help the British soldiers in the Crimean War.

Edith Cavell

Full name: Edith Louisa Cavell
Born: 4th December 1865
Hometown: Swardeston, Norfolk, England.
Occupation: Nurse
Died: 12 October 1915
Best known for: Her work as a nurse in the First World War — and for being sentenced to death for helping Allied soldiers escape German territory.
Edith is significant because she helped many injured soldiers no matter what side they fought for.