

Community and Inheritance Knowledge Organiser: The Windrush Generation

History Knowledge

The Windrush Generation are immigrants from Caribbean countries who were invited by the British Government to live and work in England because a shortage of workers after the war.



The first migrants arrived on a former troop ship called **Empire Windrush** on the 22nd June 1948.

The fare was £28.50



The Windrush Generation arrived between 1948 and 1971 due to the British Nationality Act giving those from

Commonwealth countries British Citizenship, an Act passed even as the Empire Windrush sailed across the Atlantic.

The Windrush settlers faced many hardships and challenges as they arrived and tried to settle in Britain. Many changes have taken place to make it difficult to discriminate against new immigrants.



Geography Knowledge



Windrush countries are in the Caribbean and they include: Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago, Barbados, Saint Lucia and Dominica.

The Caribbean migrants brought their own culture, food and music with them. Music includes calypso and reggae and food includes rice and peas, plantain and jerk chicken.



Key Vocabulary



Caribbean: The Caribbean is the sea which contains a cluster of islands between the West Indies, Central America, and the north coast of South America.



Commonwealth: a group of countries that were formerly part of the British Empire.

Immigrant: a person who comes to live from a different country.



Discrimination: when you are treated differently because of who you are.

Migration: movement of people to a new area or country in order to find work or better living conditions.



Migrant: a person who moves from one place to another to find work or better living conditions.



Refugee: a person who has been forced to leave their country in order to escape war, persecution, or natural disaster.



Labour: work.



Plantain: they look like bananas but taste more like potatoes. They are used for cooking.