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## **Black History Month Competition**

To help you with your article we have provided a few trailblazers who might feature in your inspiration article.

Martin Luther King - Leader of the civil rights movement and never backed down in his stand against racism.

Sir Lewis Hamilton MBE - became the first Black driver to win the F1 world drivers' championship.

**Barack Obama** - is an American politician, lawyer, and author, who served as the first African-American president of the United States from 2009 to 2017

**William Perry** - Blackpool FC's first black footballer. He spent thirteen seasons at Blackpool fc from 1949 to 1962. Born in South Africa, he played for the England national team.

**Simone Biles** - is an American gymnast. She has 7 Olympic medals and 25 World Championship medals. she is the most decorated gymnast in history and is considered to be the greatest gymnast of all time

**Stormzy** - is a British rapper, singer and songwriter. Stormzy Scholarship has provided financial support to 32 UK Black students helping to transform their University experience. He has announced pledged 10 million pounds, over 10 years, to organisations, charities and movements that are committed to fighting racial inequality, justice reform and black empowerment within the UK.

**Nelson Mandela** - as President of South Africa, Mandela **improved the living standards** and facilities of South Africa's black population, who had suffered for decades under apartheid. He won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993.

**Marcus Rashford** - English and Manchester United footballer, and campaigner against child poverty and racism.

**Muhammad Ali** - Was an American professional boxer and activist. Nicknamed "the Greatest", he is regarded as one of the most significant sports figures in the 20<sup>th</sup> century

**Rosa Parks** - was an American activist in the civil rights movement best known for her pivotal role in the Montgomery bus boycott.

**KSI** - is an English influencer, rapper, boxer and entrepreneur and recently raised £2.4 million in a charity football match at London Stadium

**Beyonce** - is an American singer, songwriter, and businesswoman. Her contributions to music and visual media and her concert performances have led her to become a prominent cultural figure of the 21st century.

**Jude Bellingham** - a current Real Madrid player and at only 20, has played in a Euros Final, World Cup Semi-final and represented England 26 times.

**Teachers / Friends /Family members** – Some inspirational people are closer than you think! You could write about a person of colour in your community or family network.