

Collage of Inspiring Innovators


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DID YOU KNOW?

Britannia appeared on the 50p coin from 1969 until 2008, before returning to coin on the £2 in 2015.

When it comes to UK coins, there aren't many characters that are as closely linked with the coins in our pockets than Britannia – and with good reason.

A legendary figure, Britannia was seen as the 'Queen of the Seas' and guardian of British shores. In fact, you could say she was Britain's first superhero!

Like any good superhero, Britannia inspires those around her and motivates her fellow Brits to be the best that they can be. We want to know who inspires you to be the best that you can be.

Read on to find out more.

Britannia first appeared on coins in Roman times, way back in AD 119. That's over 800 years before The Royal Mint first began!



The theme of the Britannia 2021 coin is 'A Nation of Innovation', celebrating some of the greatest inventors, trailblazers and pioneers in British history.

The list of British innovators includes some of the UK's most inspiring personalities. In keeping with that theme, we want you to create a collage of people who inspire you.

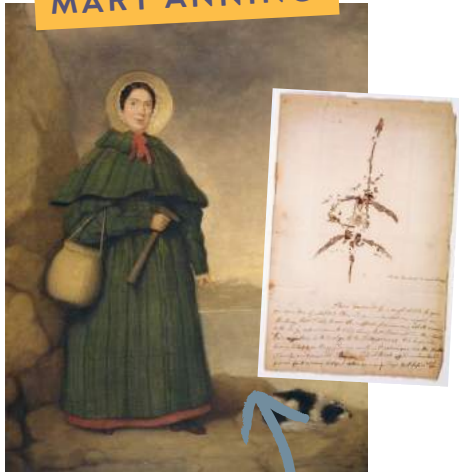
You may be motivated by your favourite actor, band or sportsperson. You may look up to your friends, family and teachers. It doesn't even have to be a person – it could simply be a song or your favourite movie!

There are no wrong answers – this is your board of inspiration. To help get you started, we've included an example below highlighting a few things that inspire us.

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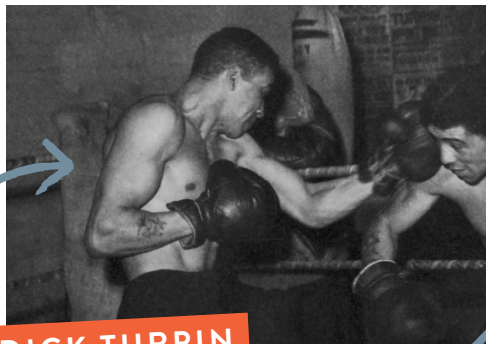
The image of Britannia has been used as the design for the BRIT Awards statuette since the music awards began in 1977.

MARY ANNING



Contributed to scientific thinking about prehistoric life, despite being denied entry to professional bodies.

First black fighter to win a British boxing championship.



DICK TURPIN



WALTER TULL

First black officer in the British Army ... and a professional football player!



ADA LOVELACE

The first computer programmer.

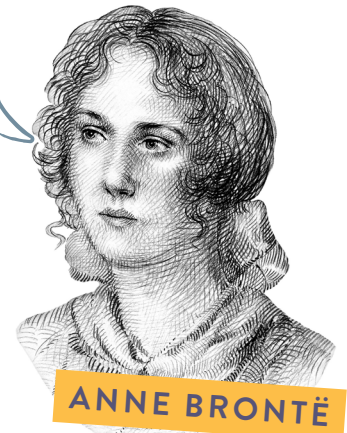
CAPTAIN SIR TOM MOORE



"But he that dares not grasp the thorn
Should never crave the rose."

The oldest person to achieve a UK number one single and raised over £32.79 million for the NHS.

Founder of the Notting Hill Carnival.



ANNE BRONTË

CLAUDIA JONES



DID YOU KNOW?

Britannia hasn't always been pictured with her trusty trident. She was originally pictured holding a spear.

Now it's your turn! Use the template below to create your own collage of inspiration with drawings, photos or clippings of people and things that inspire you. You may even want to add quotes or song lyrics – anything that motivates you to go the extra mile!

Once you're done, why not ask your parent/guardian to post your finished collage on social media? Tag us and let the world see who inspires you!



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DID YOU KNOW?

In 2015, Britannia appeared on the UK's first ever £50 coin. It was made of fine silver and weighed 31g – that's about the same weight as a lightbulb!

Design Your Own Britannia

- ? Who or what do you think is a more modern representation of Britannia?

Use this space to write down your ideas:

