# A Modern-Day Hero

Today's heroes come in many shapes and sizes. Our heroes are ordinary people, doing extraordinary things!

# Malala

Young woman from Pakistan who advocates for the rights of women.

Malala lived in a place where girls were banned from going to school. She loved learning, so she decided to go anyway. One day, Malala was attacked on the school bus, and she was left in critical condition. Since then, she has worked hard to ensure that young women have the right to pursue an education. In 2014, Malala won the Nobel Peace Prize.





## **Bill Gates**

Founder of Microsoft who became one of the richest people in the world.

Mr Gates worked hard to make his fortune, and decided to start his own charity in order to give back to his community. He donated \$28 billion to his foundation, which supports health and education in poor communities.

# **Stephen Hawking**

Ground-breaking scientist who suffers from a disease that caused him to become paralyzed.

In 1963, doctors told Stephen that he had only two years left to live, but he decided to continue to research. Since then, Stephen Hawking published many award-winning books. He believed in time travel, and that humans could live in outer space. Steven Hawkings died on 14th March 2018 at the age of 76.





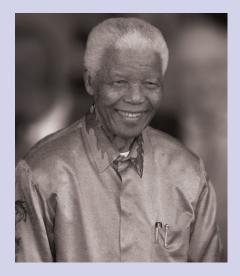


#### **Rosa Parks**

African American known as "the mother of the freedom movement".

During a time where white people were believed to be better than black people, Rosa Parks refused to give her seat on the bus to a white person. This resulted in big changes across America that finally led to equal rights for African Americans.





### Nelson Mandela

First president of South Africa after a very difficult time of racism.

Nelson Mandela had a very difficult life. He tried to achieve human rights for all, but he was always punished for it. He spent a long time in jail, and was only released after 27 years! Upon his release, he became a leader for his community. He is known for giving black Africans the right to vote for their rulers. In 1993, he won the Nobel Peace Prize.

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