

Name: Trevor McDonald Born: August, 1939 Lives: London, UK

Why he is important:
Trevor was a successful
newsreader and journalist and has
interviewed many famous people. He
was given an OBE in 1999.



Name: Lenny Henry Born: August, 1958 Lives: London, UK

Why he is important:

Lenny started Comic Relief, raising awareness of poverty in Africa. His charity work has helped to improve the lives of many poor people.



Name: Nelson Mandela

Born: July, 1918

Died: 2013

Lived: South Africa

Why he is important:

He was in jail for 27 years for campaigning for equality for black people in South Africa. He became president in 1994 and has received the Nobel Peace Prize.



Name: Maya Angelou Born: April, 1928

Died: 2014

Lived: Missouri, USA

Why she is important:

Maya was a writer who spoke up for the rights of black people, especially black women, in the books, poems and plays she wrote.