

Britain in the 1950s - Lesson 4: "Rivers of Blood" - Britain and Immigration



Learning gain: in this lesson you will explore the reasons for Commonwealth immigration and the extent to which it led to racism and riots in Britain.

You will develop your skills in using all sources to evaluate an hypothesis.



5,000 rage round

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A NEGRO-BAITING mob of 1,000 started through London streets last night shouting for lynchings and blood.

Groups with rock, bottles and stones, they pelted the fleeing mob with stones and bottles, hitting with force and shattering windows in a



Commonwealth



53 countries which used to be in the British Empire.

COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES



Why was there so much immigration to Britain in the 1950s?



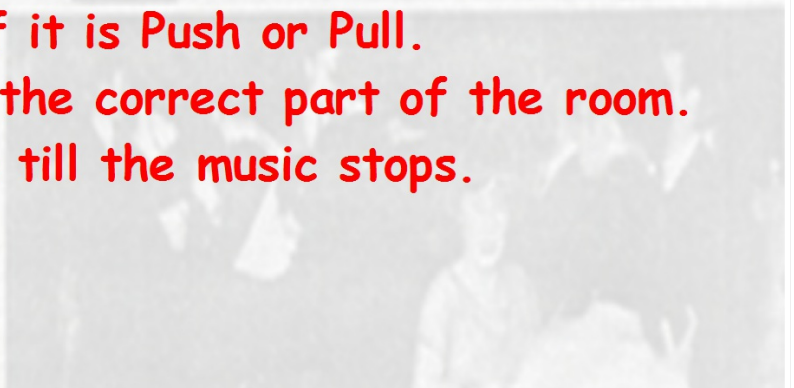
These can be broken down into Push and Pull factors.
Push - encourages people to leave their own country.
Pull - encourages people into a specific country.



- Read your A4 card.
- It has a factor on it.
- Decide if it is Push or Pull.
- Move to the correct part of the room.
- You have till the music stops.



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A NEGRO-BAITING mob of 1,000 started through London streets last night shouting for lynchings and blood.
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stacking coloured people, hitting with poles and smashing windows in a

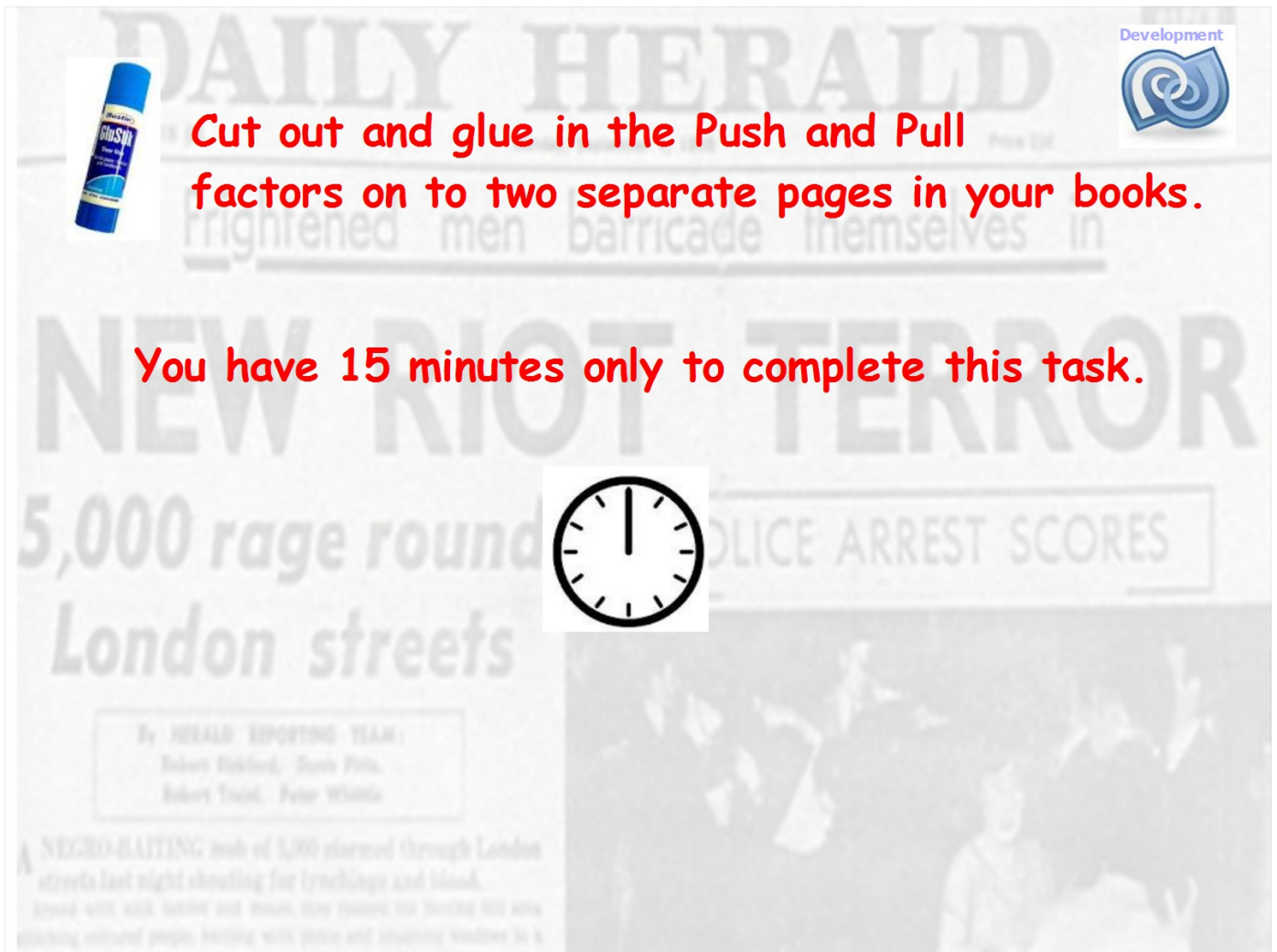




Cut out and glue in the Push and Pull factors on to two separate pages in your books.



You have 15 minutes only to complete this task.





The Windrush generation:

Main



The SS Empire Windrush docked at Tilbury docks in London on 22 June 1948 bringing men from the West Indies seeking work.

Their arrival caused a stir especially in the areas they settled. The men faced a good deal of racial prejudice.

London streets

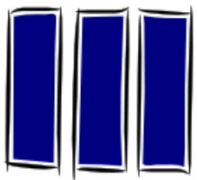
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A NEGRO-HATING mob of 1,000 stormed through London streets last night shouting for lynchings and blood. Armed with sick knives and stones, they roamed the Strand and other streets attacking coloured people, hitting with poles and smashing windows in a

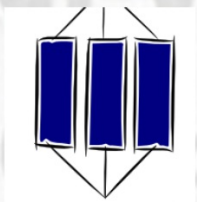


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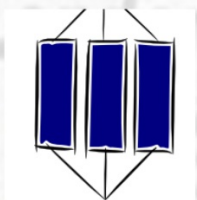
Main



Identify several short term causes and several long term causes of the Notting Hill riots in 1958.



List the consequences of the Riot on Britain and British society.



Use all the information to evaluate this statement "Britain was largely racist."
Use qualifiers in your answer.

Plenary



A NEGRO-BAITING mob of 1,000 started through Leeson streets last night shouting for lynchings and blood. Armed with milk bottles and stones, they roamed the Notting Hill area attacking coloured people, hitting with poles and smashing windows in a

