

Who was Florence Nightingale?

- Key Stage 1
- Curriculum themes: History
- Session length: 1.5 to 2 hours
- Session times: 10am – 11.45am or 12.30pm – 2.15pm



Find out more about the life and times of this remarkable Victorian woman in this hands-on workshop. Handle artefacts, sort and wash clothing and bandages, and take part in a roleplay session about ‘The Lady with the Lamp at Scutari’.

We begin the session with an introduction to Florence Nightingale from childhood in a wealthy family right through to her work in the Crimea War and the improvements she made to nursing worldwide.

Stay for the day
enjoy lunch after
your workshop and
spend self-guided
time in the museum
(worksheets
provided)

The class is then divided into groups to take turns at different activities, which last around 20 minutes depending on age, ability and numbers in the group:

- Sort and wash bedding, clothing, and bandages
- Take part in a roleplay activity with costumes and artefacts relating to the story of the Lady with the Lamp at Scutari
- Teacher-led activity in the schoolroom (notes and equipment provided)



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The session concludes with a summary of what we've learnt today.