

Advocate	A person who publicly supports a particular idea or cause.
Ancestry	Family background detail. E.g. I have ancestors from Ghana so I have African ancestry.
Anti-Oppression	A practice of challenging oppression in society.
Archaeologist	An archaeologist will study human history, sometimes this means digging to find old objects, or looking at the ruins of very old buildings to find out the things you will learn in your history lessons!
Ashanti People	A group of people from south central Ghana.
Baroness	A title that can be given to you by the Queen. Usually it means that you have done something for your country that is worthy of being recognised.
Breadfruit	A big green fruit. It tastes a bit like potato. It is best cooked in a dish!
Colony / Colonial / Colonialism	Colonialism is when a country (such as the UK) invades or takes over another country in order to use their resources and land. Often colonisers killed or enslaved the native people of that land. The UK has a long history of colonising other countries.
Contemporary	Something that happens in the present time.
Cultural Appropriation	The use of objects or elements of a minority culture in a way that doesn't respect their original meaning, give credit to their source, or reinforces stereotypes or contributes to oppression.
Culture	The ideas, customs and behaviours of a particular group of people.
Data	When you want to find out information on something, it's important to collect numbers and evidence to be sure what you are saying is true. E.g. if you want to find out how many people have the same birthday as you, you might want to count how many people in your school do! Data is the word for all that information.
Data Set	A data set is a section of data answering a specific question.

Data Journalist	A journalist is someone who writes about things that are happening in the world, they might write for the newspaper, or write the stories you hear on the news or on social media. A data journalist is someone who tries to make data as clear and truthful as possible, so that everyone can understand it.
Diaspora	A community of people who do not live in their country of origin, but make efforts to maintain their cultural heritage wherever they are.
Discrimination	The unjust or prejudicial treatment of different categories of people, especially on the grounds of race, age, sex, or disability.
Displacement	The enforced departure of people from their homes or country.
Equity	Making sure things are fair, sometimes true equity means giving different things to different people so that everyone has a fair chance.
Equality	Everyone has the same rights and same things.
Extinction	The dying out or disappearance of a kind of animal from Earth.
Fractals	A fractal is a pattern that you see in nature. If you zoom in or out, it appears again and again. It is never-ending. You can see it in a snowflake or lightning. It is a word used in mathematics.
George Washington	George Washington was the first president of America, he was also a plantation owner and an owner of enslaved people.
Heritage	A name for all the things that are passed down to us from the people who came before us. People might also inherit things that are specific to their ancestors or ancestry.
Hierarchies	How a society or group is structured, usually with people with more power at the top and people with less power at the bottom.
Humid Climates	Weather where it is very damp, and usually very hot.
Icon	A person regarded as representative of something important or inspirational.
Indigenous	Indigenous means originally from a particular place. In places that have been colonised it's important to remember that there were groups of people who lived in that place first. Food can also be indigenous to somewhere.

Islamic World	Areas of the world where the main religion is Islam.
Madam CJ Walker	Madam CJ Walker was a very successful business woman who invented a line of African American hair products.
Matriarchal Society	A society or group that is run by women.
Natural Afro	A hairstyle originated by Black People. Naturally curly hair forms a full bushy shape.
Okra	Okra is a mild green vegetable, that sometimes is compared to green beans except its texture is quite slimy but delicious!
Oppression	When a person or group exercises authority or power over another group in an unfair or cruel way.
Oral Storytelling	The tradition of speaking stories to an audience rather than writing them down.
Palm Oil	A kind of vegetable oil made from the fruits of African oil palm trees.
The Partition of Africa	In the Victorian times (1880s) European countries were fighting over what parts of Africa they could own (because they wanted the resources - things like food and oil). Those countries didn't have a right to be there - this is called colonisation. In 1884 leaders from these countries including UK, France, USA they met together to decide where the edges of each African country could be and split up the land. No African people were allowed at this conference and nobody listened to what people from Africa wanted. While nearly all African countries have now got independence and can rule their own land, many of the borders are still used.
Pharaoh	A ruler in Ancient Egypt.
Plantain	A vegetable that looks like a banana. It is often fried or cooked as part of a bigger main dish.
Plantation	A plantation was a big piece of land or farm owned by big colonialist company, and run by enslavers. Enslaved people would tend to the crops and prepare them on this land, crops included things like coffee, sugar and tobacco.
Policing	Enforcing or attempting to enforce a set of rules.

Proverb	A short sentence that is quoted often that gives life advice. Often specific cultures and languages have proverbs specific to them.
Reclaim	Taking back or recovering something previously lost, stolen or used by someone it didn't originally belong to.
Resistance	The refusal to accept or do something. The resistance might be a group joining together to stop something.
Saltfish	Saltfish is fish that has been preserved in salt so it lasts longer. You might do this when you have caught more fish than you can eat this week, and don't know when you'll next get fish!
Self-sustaining	Being able to look after yourself, your community, etc without outside help.
Social Justice	A movement or belief that all people deserve equality.
Society	A community or group of people who have common traditions, institutions, and interests.
Spirituality	The recognition of a feeling or sense or belief that there is something greater than myself.
Thomas Jefferson	Thomas Jefferson was the third President of America, he also was the owner of many enslaved people.
Western Society	Western Society is one way of describing areas of the world or societies and groups that have their origins in European culture, this would include Europe, but might also include North America and Australia.
Windrush Generation	A group of hundreds of Caribbean people, were brought by the British Government to work between 1948 and 1970.
Yam	Potato-like food that is more like a sweet potato except they have rougher skin.