



WHERE?

The **Caribbean islands** form a massive archipelago in the Caribbean sea.

archipelago

a sea with many islands.

Continent: **North America**

Latitude: near the **Tropic of Cancer**

independent countries such as, Antigua & Barbuda, The Bahamas, Haiti and Jamaica.

dependent territories such as, Anguilla, Cayman Islands, and Guadeloupe.

Caribbean people mostly African descendants



WHAT?

World War 2
1939 – 1945



The Allies

(United Kingdom, United States, USSR and many more)

Vs



The Axis

(Germany, Italy, Japan and a few more)

Volunteers needed!



It was a hard-fought war. Britain asked for help to fight against the Nazis.



Men and women from the Caribbean volunteered to fight with Britain and its allies against Hitler.

Over 10,000 Caribbean men and women volunteered



Royal Air Force
Royal Navy
Merchant Navy
Army regiments



AS A RESULT

After World War 2 had been won volunteers from the Caribbean



demobbed

(troops demobilised - sent home)

BUT

Britain had a shortage of people to work

Britain was **desperate** for workers in:

- construction
- manufacturing goods
- public transport and hospitals

men and women from the Caribbean were ambitious, hard-working and highly skilled

Britain offered work and **citizenship** if they migrated

Tuesday, 22nd June 1948

MV Empire Windrush brought

over 1000 people from Caribbean



smartly dressed and proud,

they arrived at **Tilbury Docks** in Essex



Caribbean-British settlers had begun to live and work in Britain



Passengers from MV Empire Windrush spent their first night in the **Clapham South Deep Shelter**

many took jobs and settled near Lambeth, Brixton Wandsworth and Greenwich in London

1950s

Caribbean migrants met with hostility and **racism**.

In 1959 **Kelso Cochrane**, a young black man, was murdered in London. The case was never solved.

Protests took place demanding change

1959 - an undeterred Caribbean community set up **Notting Hill carnival** to celebrate a 'black British culture'

THE LEGACY



second and third generation of Black Britons

suffered because of **ignorance** and misunderstanding

enabled British **culture** to become

- ✓ more tolerant
- ✓ multicultural
- ✓ accepting

some had rights removed or were deported