



Settling in England

People travelled from the Caribbean to England for many reasons: some were seeking employment in Britain, others hoped to rejoin the Army or Royal Air Force. Many simply had a deep curiosity about the 'mother country'.

Once they arrived in England, people had to find a home, work and community. When sharing memories about settling in England, upsetting memories may be shared, about difficulties finding work and a home due to racism. Feelings of loneliness and displacement may also be shared to which a sensitive response is needed.

Sit back and share stories by following the instructions below:



Look at the pictures marked 'Settling in England'



Touch the related objects in the box

Then think and talk about the following questions:

- What are your strongest memories of settling in England?
- What are your memories of finding work if you arrived as an adult?
- What were the traditions you kept as you settled in England?
- How did you stay in touch with family in the Caribbean?
- Did you take part in any community celebrations? What were they for?



