

# Real Heroes Unit

## English 9

Non fiction reading is something that is favoured by many people due to the simple fact that it is a story about an event that really occurred and that someone perhaps had to do something extraordinary inside that story; something so extraordinary that other people should know about it and be inspired by it. This something might be a great sports hero, a regular person who was asked to do something big like a rescue, a person who did something and survived to tell about it like made it through a war, a fire, or an accident. There are many great stories out there to find.

### Objectives of this unit:

- to be able to find a story that is suitable for this unit;
- to read a non fiction with a specific focus of something heroic;
- to be able to talk about the book with the class.

### Tasks to successfully complete this unit:

1. Find a book that'll work. I've got some ideas which you're free to use, but they may not be what you want, so there will be some searching on your own.
2. Read it. Very important...
3. Brainstorm hero categories as a class in order to narrow down some ideas for a group project.
4. Choose a group or another individual to join to form a group.
5. Choose a category of *Heroes* that we brainstormed that your group can do.
6. Focus on your category and begin to research that category in terms of people involved, situations they find themselves in, results, year(s) when it occurred, similar situations with other people with perhaps different results, and, of course, why it was heroic.
7. Prepare a presentation with your group for the class in which you show them your category through the use of powerpoint technology, movie clips, words, posters, newspaper articles, etc.
8. For the book that you have read, write an opinion of it in which you state what you have learned of the situation, the writing of it, and how it is different from the fiction that you have read.

### Evaluation:

Written opinion \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

### Due date for the Written Opinion:

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### Group presentation due date:

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Brainstorming results:

Categories of heroes

- politicians
- heroic jobs
- superheroes
- inventors
- adventurers
- explorers
- war
- world events
- child heroes
- survivors
- animal
- mythical
- artists, musicians
- sports