

## **Sea and Learn – Lesson Plan: Curriculum Vitae of a Sailor**

**Key Stage:** Two

**National Curriculum Links:** En3 1e; 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 2e, 2f; 6a; 9a

**Main Subject Focus:** English

### **Learning Outcomes:**

Children will:

- Know that different things contribute to our identity.
- Be able to use their imagination to consider other people's experiences.
- Know that Nelson's fleet consisted of many ethnic groups.
- Know the purpose of Curriculum Vitae.

### **Resources Required:**

- Selection of sailors' muster records from the British fleet at Trafalgar (from Fleet of Nations lesson series)
- Access to the Internet
- Non-fiction resources related to this period of history

### **Lesson Outline:**

1. Begin by looking briefly at the muster records from the British fleet at Trafalgar and discussing the men who took part in the battle.
2. Now ask your children to select one of these men and ask them to imagine that they are this sailor. Alternatively, some children may wish to imagine that they are a women serving onboard instead.
3. Introduce the idea of a CV and remind children that a CV is a summary of their education and professional history and discuss how people use these today to help them obtain a job.
4. Now ask children to use Worksheet 1 to create a fictional CV for their chosen sailor. Allow them to research life onboard a navy ship at this time to help them empathise with the sailors and to appreciate how their lives must have been. Some children may wish to use ICT to compile their CV.
5. Print and display the CVs for everyone to read.

### **Extension/Homework Ideas:**

- Write a CV for a sailor in today's Royal Navy using information from the Royal Navy website.
- Write a CV for Nelson including all his battle triumphs, culminating in his death during the victory at the Battle of Trafalgar.

## Sea and Learn – Worksheet 1

Use the information you have about the sailors who fought at the Battle of Trafalgar and try to compile a CV (Curriculum Vitae) for one of them. Use the CV writing frame below or design your own:

Name:

Date Of Birth:

Nationality:

Place of Birth:

Marital Status/Family:



My life as a Sailor and Explorer in the British Navy

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Other Important Events

Include information about:

**Living Conditions**

**Rewards**

**Equipment**

**Food**

**Your Duties**

**Your Journey/Battles**