

# Brave Nurses



**Mary Seacole** was a nurse. Her mother was Jamaican and her father was Scottish. When she was a young girl, she would watch her mother use **natural remedies** to heal people. This inspired her to help others. She wanted to help the soldiers of the **Crimean War** but she suffered from **prejudice**. So, she decided to use her own money to travel to Crimea by herself. She set up the 'British Hotel' close to the **battlefields**. Here she would give the soldiers food, drink and treatment. The soldiers grew very fond of her and named her Mother Seacole.

<b>Birth</b>	1805, Jamaica
<b>Death</b>	1881, London

**Edith Cavell** was a trained nurse who grew up in Norfolk, England. Once she had completed her training she moved to Belgium and oversaw a nursing school in Brussels. After the start of **WW1**, she nursed and saved **soldiers** from both sides of the war. She also helped over 200 British, French and Belgian soldiers **escape** from the Germans. Sadly, she was later **arrested** for treason and sentenced to death. At the age of 49, she was **executed** by a German firing squad. She was later buried in Norwich Cathedral.



<b>Birth</b>	1865, Norfolk
<b>Death</b>	1915, Brussels

<b>Key Vocabulary:</b>	
<b>nurse</b>	A person who helps promote health, prevent illness and cares for people who are ill
<b>Crimean War</b>	a war between Russia versus Britain, France, the Ottoman Empire and Kingdom of Sardinia
<b>prejudice</b>	an unfair feeling of dislike for a person or group based on their ethnic, racial, social, or religious group
<b>natural remedies</b>	plant based medicines made from parts such as leaves, flowers or roots
<b>disease</b>	an illness that affects a person and prevents the body from working normally
<b>wounded</b>	a person suffering from an injury in battle
<b>battlefield</b>	the piece of ground on which a battle is or was fought

<b>Key Vocabulary:</b>	
<b>trained nurse</b>	A person who is trained to promote health, prevent illness and cares for people who are ill
<b>First World War / WW1</b>	a global war centred in Europe that lasted for more than four years
<b>soldier</b>	a member of the military who protects their country
<b>hospital</b>	a place where the sick and injured are given medical care
<b>escape</b>	to break free from confinement or control
<b>arrested</b>	a person who is taken and put into custody or prison for breaking the law
<b>executed</b>	a person who is killed as a punishment for breaking the law