



What's going on?

Captain Sir Tom Moore has sadly died. He was being treated in hospital for pneumonia and coronavirus but passed away on Tuesday afternoon. The army veteran became famous when he raised millions of pounds for the NHS by walking 100 laps of his garden before his 100th birthday. The Queen has issued a statement saying, "My thoughts and those of the royal family are with Captain Tom's relatives, I recognise the inspiration he provided for the whole nation and others across the world."

Question:

What can we learn from Captain Sir Tom Moore?

Listen, think, share

- Look at the poster image. What do we know about Captain Sir Tom Moore and his achievements? Do we know much about his life before last year?
- Watch the Prime Minister's tribute to Captain Sir Tom Moore found in the useful video link below. Can you recall three positive examples that Boris Johnson outlined in the clip? Boris said that Captain Sir Tom Moore was 'a beacon of hope for the world.' What do you think he means by this and do you agree?
- Read through the information found on the resource about Captain Sir Tom Moore's life. What do you think is his greatest achievement? What will he be remembered for the most? Why do you think he inspired so many? Captain Sir Tom's main goal was not to be famous but to raise awareness of the NHS. He previously has said he remembers the days before its creation, when getting ill meant worrying about having to pay for treatment. Do you think Captain Sir Tom achieved his aim?
- Whilst undertaking his first challenge of completing 100 laps in his garden, initially hoping to raise £1,000 for charity, Captain Sir Tom had said, "One small soul like me won't make much difference". Why do you think he might have said this? Do you think he was right?
- Many people have said that Captain Sir Tom Moore will leave a huge legacy. What do you think we mean by legacy and what do you think the impact of Captain Sir Tom's lasting message will be?

Reflection

Captain Sir Tom Moore was an inspiration to us all during difficult times. Through his courage, perseverance and strength at the age of 99, he united the nation.

Challenge

In April 2020 during the first national coronavirus lockdown, Captain Sir Tom set himself a small challenge to raise £1,000 for NHS charities by walking 100 laps of his garden before his 100th birthday. He raised £33 million and became famous all around the world! Can you set yourself a challenge of doing something 100 times to raise awareness of something you care about? This could be through an exercise like Captain Sir Tom, drawing, completing an activity for 100 minutes. Can you take photos, write about your challenge and send it to us?

Web Links

Useful video – The Prime Minister's tribute to Captain Sir Tom Moore

www.youtube.com/watch?v=iSJXjQrF_v4

Research link – Army profile of Captain Sir Tom Moore

www.army.mod.uk/people/leave-well/service-leavers-veterans/army-skills/captain-sir-tom-moore

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