

- 1 Translate into Standard English: 'Dem tell me bout'.
- 2 What can the narrator not see because he cannot see his own history?
- 3 What does the narrator mean by 'me own history'?
- 4 Who did Toussaint L'Ouverture beat?
- 5 Which country's independence was inspired by Toussaint?
- 6 How are a cat and a fiddle relevant to the poem?
- 7 Who was Lord Nelson?
- 8 Where did Mary Seacole come from?
- 9 Choose one example of rhyme and briefly explain its effect on the meaning of the poem.
- 10 What is the narrator planning to do at the end of the poem?



- Add your own annotations to the poem, exploring more of its details and their effects. Include the underlined words or phrases.
- Online you will find a copy of the poem with more detailed annotations.

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AQA exam-style question

Compare how poets present attitudes to inequality in 'Checking Out Me History' and in one other poem from Power and conflict.

