



Steps to Success

Date	Tuesday 23 rd February 2021
Subject/s	English
	Imitate
Learning Objective 	To box up the text

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Success Criteria 	I can retell the text	
	I can say the purpose of each paragraph/section	
	I can identify the key information within the text	
Support	Independent Adult Support () Group Work	
Lockdown learning: DC		

Generic Structure: Information, Biography	Dr Barnardo
Introductory sentence: key information or special event.	
Growing up: Where were they born? Siblings/family info.	
First life event	
Second life event	
Death and legacy	

Thomas John Barnardo

Best known by the name Dr Barnardo, Thomas John Barnardo founded the British charity Barnardo's to provide care for vulnerable children and young people.

Key Information

Born in Dublin, Ireland, on 4th July 1845, Thomas John Barnardo was the son of John Barnardo and Abigail.

Early Career

In 1866, Thomas Barnardo left Ireland to move to London where he planned to study at London Hospital to become a doctor. However, when he arrived in London, he was so appalled by the amount of children that he saw living in terrible conditions that he desperately wanted to help. A deadly disease, cholera, was spreading through the East End of the city due to a lack of clean water and basic hygiene. This fatal disease meant that many children from underprivileged families became orphans; this caused many of them to become homeless and end up living on the streets.

Ragged Schools

Despite his name, Dr Barnardo stopped training to become a doctor, due to his enthusiasm to help the children of London to experience more positive lives. His initial step was in 1867 when he set up a ragged school, which was a school providing free education, food, clothes and homes to children. One of the original pupils at Dr Barnardo's first ragged school, Jim Jarvis, took Dr Barnardo for a walk around the East End of London one evening, showing him the high quantity of children who slept on the street, often on roofs or in gutters. What he witnessed affected him so much, making him feel very distressed, that Dr Barnardo decided to give up his dream of becoming a doctor, choosing instead to devote his life to helping disadvantaged children.

Homes for Vulnerable Children

In 1870, Dr Barnardo started his charity, which was known as Dr Barnardo's Homes, to help as many poor children in London as possible. He opened his first orphanage for vulnerable boys in London and spent the nights walking the streets looking for homeless boys who needed somewhere to stay.

Legacy

During his lifetime, Dr Barnardo and his charity opened 96 homes to look after vulnerable children and young people. From the foundation of the first Barnardo's home in 1867 to his death in 1905, more than 8,500 children had been taken in. Dr He also raised a lot of money to help children to stay with their families when times were difficult. Dr Barnardo's dream of giving every child the best possible future is continued by his charity to this day.