

# Black History Month



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# What does this photograph show? Do you recognise anyone?



<https://metro.co.uk/2018/08/16/stormzy-launches-cambridge-scholarship-black-students-amid-lack-diversity-criticism-7846513/>

# Stormzy's scholarship to fund black students has had a great impact.

**The “Stormzy effect” has helped inspire record numbers of black British students to study at the University of Cambridge, following the musician's high-profile backing of scholarships for black students at the institution.**

**Cambridge has said 91 black British students had been admitted as first-year undergraduates at the start of the academic year, an increase of nearly 50% compared with last year's 61 students.** It takes the total number of black undergraduates studying at Cambridge **above 200** for the first time.

**Stormzy attended a state school and achieved 6A\* 3 As and 3 Bs at GCSE.**

Stormzy has said of his role in the rise in black applicants to the university.

**“The thought of being a ‘role model’ or ‘leader’ or whatever it is feels way way way too heavy and too overwhelming,”**

**I am deeply flawed and still learning how to be a man and still figuring out how to grow into the person I need to be but within all of that confusion and all the juggling of being a human and trying to be a superhuman, I have purpose. And my purpose has led me here.”**



# Discuss:

What do you think about what Stormzy has done?

Why do you think he has done it?

How important is it to have someone who believes in you?

How important is it to see yourself reflected in those who are seen as “successful”?

