

## Why do we remember Sarah Forbes-Bonetta alongside other significant people?

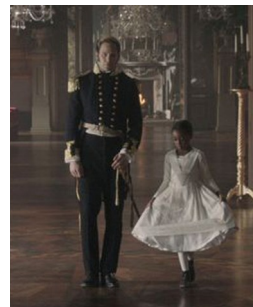


Sarah Forbes-Bonetta is remembered as the African princess who became the ward of Queen Victoria.

### KEY WORDS

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| <b>Queen Victoria</b> | British queen around 120 to 180 years ago..   |
| <b>enslave</b>        | To be taken away by another, kept against your will and made to work for no money.                    |
| <b>enslavement</b>    | When people are taken away from their families and forced to work in terrible conditions with no pay. |
| <b>Captain Forbes</b> | A British Navy captain who tried to stop enslavement,   |
| <b>ward</b>           | A person who you protect and care for. .  |

### Timeline of Sarah's life



180 years ago, Omoba Aina was born in Nigeria. Her father was an important tribe chief.

Aged 5, Omoba's parents were killed and she was enslaved by King Gezo of Dahomy.

Omoba was rescued by Captain Forbes and King Gezo gifted her to Queen Victoria.

Omoba travelled to England and Captain Forbes changed her name to Sarah.

Queen Victoria paid for Sarah's education and made Sarah her god daughter.

Aged 19, Sarah married Captain James Davies, a wealthy businessman. They had 3 children.

Sarah died at the age of 37.