

*Florence
Nightingale
By Aiva
and Marla*



Florence was born in 1820 in Italy. She lived with her mum, dad and her big sister Parthenope. When Florence was growing up, she liked to read lots of books. Her mum and dad wanted her to marry a rich man when she was older but Florence wanted to be a nurse.

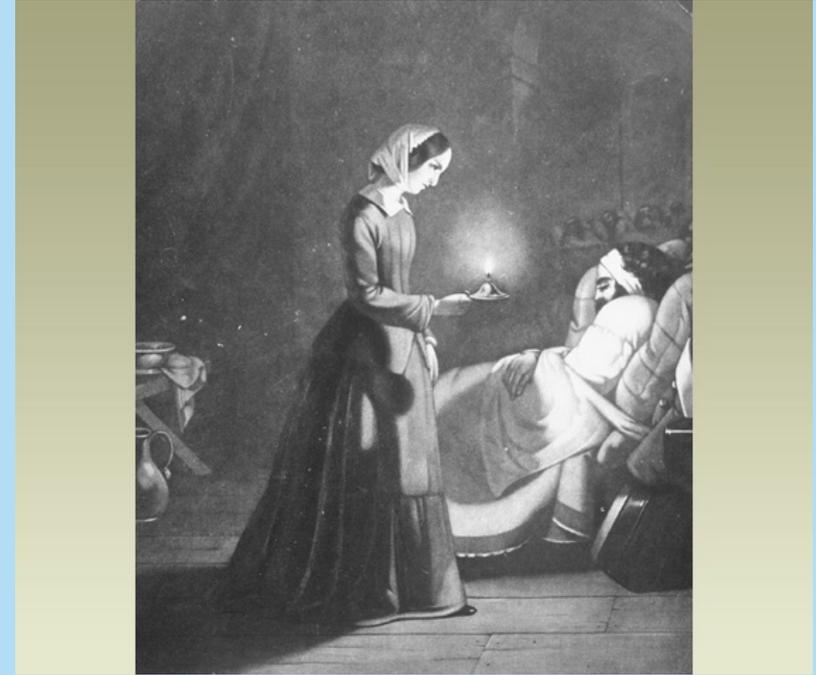


*She wanted to
be a nurse
because she
wanted to help to
look after people
when they are
poorly.*



*Florence heard about the awful news in
Scutari about the Crimean War and how
lots of the soldiers were dying. Florence set
off to Scutari with a team of nurses to help
the soldiers.*

The hospital was dirty. There were maggots in the food, dirty clothes, no running water and the soldiers had to sleep on the floor. They didn't even have clean bandages to cover up their cuts.



The soldiers had a pet tortoise called Jimmy in the hospital. He used to make them smile when they were feeling sad because they aren't getting better.



Florence and her team of nurses made the hospital better. They worked as a team to clean it all up. They gave the soldiers clean water and fresh food to eat. They gave the soldiers beds and clean blankets to sleep in and clean bandages to make their injuries better.



MISS FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE IN THE HOSPITAL AT SCUTARI DURING THE CRIMEAN WAR (1855-6).

Florence was awarded a medal called the Order of Merit in 1907 for being a great nurse and helping out lots of poorly people. She wrote books all about nursing in her old age. Florence died in 1910 at the age of 90.

