Daniel Hale Williams

Scientists and Inventors



Aim

- To label the parts and functions of the circulatory system.
- To understand Dr Daniel Hale Williams' accomplishments.

Success Criteria

- I can label the main parts of the heart.
- I can explain the basic function of the heart.
- I can discuss how the attitudes of people at different times may have presented obstacles to scientists and inventors.

We know that the heart pumps blood around the body.





The heart is made of four chambers: two on the left and two on the right. The upper chambers are called the left and right atrium and the bottom chambers are the left and right ventricles.



Diagrams are drawn as if you were looking at the heart of a person > opposite you, so the right-hand chambers are drawn on the left-hand side of the diagram and vice versa.



Oxygenated blood comes from the lungs into the left atrium...



and exits the heart via the left ventricle to carry oxygen to the body.



De-oxygenated blood (that has 'dropped off' its oxygen supply around the body and is now carrying carbon dioxide) enters the heart through the right atrium...



and exits the heart via the right ventricle and straight into the lungs to be oxygenated again.



De-oxygenated blood coming from the body enters the heart from the superior and inferior vena cava.



Blood enters from the lungs from the left and right **pulmonary veins**.



These vessels are all large **veins**.



De-oxygenated blood being pumped to the lungs exits via the left and right **pulmonary arteries**.



Oxygenated blood headed for the rest of the body exits through the **aorta**.



These vessels are all large **arteries**.



Label the Heart



See if you can label the four chambers of the heart and the main blood vessels bringing blood into and out of the heart.

Extra challenge – Can you explain the direction of blood flow? Or where each vessel leads to or from?



Dr Daniel Hale Williams

People have understood how the heart works for a long time, but due to a lack of anaesthetic, antiseptic and blood transfusions, most people couldn't expect to have their heart 'fixed' before the 1900s. That didn't stop Dr Daniel Hale Williams.

In 1893, he performed the world's first successful open-heart surgery, without blood transfusions, with unreliable anaesthetic and with no way of stopping the heart from beating while he operated!

But that's not all...

Dr Daniel Hale Williams

Dr Daniel Hale Williams is known for performing the world's first successful open-heart surgery. (It was successful because the patient survived for 20 years.)

Daniel Hale Williams was also the first black person admitted to the American College of Surgeons.



He founded the first **multiracial** hospital and medical training schools for black nurses at a time when black people would have been refused medical treatment in many hospitals.

• What makes Dr Williams' achievements so impressive?



Dr Daniel Hale Williams

Research the life and accomplishments of Dr Daniel Hale Williams to answer the questions on the **Dr Daniel Hale Williams Activity Sheet**.

I can ex	I can explain Dr Daniel Hale Williams' accomplishments.
search, and apply what y out the life and accomplis!	Research, and apply what you have found out already, to find out the answers to questio about the life and accomplishments of Daniel Hale Williams.
What two other occupatio (He could have worked in I	1. What were two other occupations considered by Daniel before he decided to study medicine
	2. Who is the doctor he became an apprentice for?
Who is the doctor that Da	3. Which American college did he study at?
Which American college di	4. a) In what year did he perform the first open-heart surgery?
In what year did he perfor	b) What modern medical resources did he have to operate without?
Which organisation did he	5. a) Which organisation did he co-found, which is still running today?
	b) Why couldn't he join the existing medical organisation of the time?
What is the name of the he hospital with both black a	6. What is the name of the hospital he created as a training school for nurses and was the first hospital with both black and white staff in America?
Who was the patient he pe	7. Who was the patient he performed the first open-heart surgery on?
. Dr Williams often had to t do you think this was? 	8. a) Dr Williams often had to treat patients at home in his early years of being a doctor - wh do you think this was?
	b) What dangers would this have posed?

Dr Williams' Legacy



In your group, decide three things that you think Dr Daniel Hale Williams should be remembered for.

Do you think he should only be remembered for his achievements in medicine?



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