

The Story of
Florence
Nightingale
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Florence Nightingale was born in 1820 in the city of Florence in Italy. She had an annoying sister called Parthenope because when Florence was trying to read a book, Parthenope messed about and was silly. She lived with her mum and dad and they wanted her to marry a rich man. Florence didn't want this and wanted to be a nurse.



When Florence Nightingale grew up she wanted to be a nurse because she felt like God wanted her to help people. She went to nursing school in 1845 in Germany and then came back to England to look after poorly people in hospital.



Florence went to Scutari in 1854 after the Crimean War had happened to help look after the soldiers. The soldiers were dying from their injuries and this made Florence really cross. She worked hard to make things better for the soldiers. She cleaned up the hospitals, gave them good food to eat and a bed to sleep in.



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When Florence came back to England she was a hero and people wanted to listen to her adventures. She won the medal called the Order of Merit and wrote lots of books about nursing. She was 90 years old when she died in 1910.

