Take Two Portraits

Basic Skills Resources E2 & 3
Camila Batmanghelidjh

National Portrait Gallery

Worksheet One: Look and Discuss
Work with a partner to make notes.

Find this painting in room 35

Look at the pose.
Is she standing or sitting?

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What is she wearing?

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Describe her expression.

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How old is she?

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What does she do?

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Why is her portrait here?

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What objects can you see?

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Activity Two: Read and Discuss

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Camila Batmanghelidjh is founder and director of Kids Company, a charity which helps inner-city children and young people.

Camila Batmanghelidjh was born in 1963 into a wealthy Iranian family. When she was 11 she went to a top private school in the UK. Soon after, there was a revolution in Iran and her father was sent to prison. Using her own financial resources, Camila set up 'the place 2 be' and in the 1990s, 'Kid's Company.'

Kid's Company helps children and young people who have suffered trauma and neglect.

True or False. Circle the correct answer:

Camila's family were poor	**True / False**
She had a good education	**True / False**
She started a charity	**True / False**
She fights for equal rights	**True / False**

Match the words to their meanings.

an organisation that works to help people, not for profit	charity company
a school that you pay to attend	private school primary school
an informal word for child	parent kid

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Worksheet Three: Compare and contrast

Look at the portraits of Camila and Emmeline.
Work with a partner to match the descriptions to the portraits.
Discuss all the possible answers.
(You can tick more than one portrait)

The woman in this portrait looks wealthy	✓	✓
The woman in this portrait is wearing unusual clothes	☐	☐
The woman in this portrait is sitting	☐	☐
The woman in this portrait is smiling	☐	☐
The woman in this portrait works with children	☐	☐
This portrait is an unusual shape	☐	☐
The woman in this portrait looks strong	☐	☐

Debate and Discuss: In the Gallery or back in class

Discuss the following questions with your group

- These women have campaigned for causes. What have they fought for?
- What are the similarities between the two women, what are the differences?
- These women came from wealthy families, they chose to campaign for people's rights. Why do you think they wanted to do this?

How much do you know?

- What did Emmeline do to fight for her cause?
- What did Camila do?
- Who do you think chose the best way to fight for her cause?
- What cause would you fight for?