Imagine you have to travel back in time to live in a different era. Review the timeline below. Circle a point in time, when you would most rather live.

**1562:** Britain began its slave trade in Africa.

**Pre-1870:** Most poor children never went to school and grew up unable to read or write. Instead, they were forced to work for very long hours with little breaks.

**1837-1901:** During Queen Victoria's reign many poorer women had to look after the home, husband, children and work but were barred from all well-paid jobs.

**Pre-1861:** There was a death penalty for homosexuality! This was removed but male homosexuality remained illegal until 1967 and gay men could be imprisoned up to that time.

**1913:** The Mental Deficiency Act legalised the detention of mentally ill individuals and categorised them as idiots, imbeciles, feeble minded and moral defectives.

**Pre-1918:** Women did not have the right to vote! Women who campaigned for the right to vote and were arrested, refused to eat and went on a hunger strike!

**1960's:** It was not uncommon to see signs in Britain saying, “No blacks, no Irish, no dogs”.

Why have you selected this time?