# THE PETERLOO MASSACRE

**Assembly Presentation** 



### HAS ANYONE EVER HEAD OF THE PETERLOO MASSACRE?

Activity: Hands up who has heard of the Peterloo Massacre?

Can anyone tell us anything about it?





#### THE PETERLOO MASSACRE



On 16 August 1819, an estimated 60,000 people walked from across Manchester and its surrounding areas to St Peter's Field to protest having the right to vote.

Many walked especially to see a famous man called Henry Hunt speak on the need for electoral reform.

Teacher Notes: Click image for link to Peterloo 1819 website - https://peterloo1819.co.uk/interactive/the-hustings/10-00/



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#### PETERLOO 2019 AN ANIMATED FILM BY RECLAIM

This animation was made by a group of young people from Greater Manchester who are passionate about everyone having the right to representation.

They see the 200 year anniversary of the Peterloo Massacre as a chance to shout about their own experience of democracy.

Whilst planning the animation, the group discussed the issues they face today, from votes for 16 year olds to education reform.



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What are the things that are important to you?

Do you feel that your voice is heard?

Watch this film by clicking on the image and then spend a few minutes discussing this together (see teacher notes)

**Teacher Notes:** Click on image for hyperlink.



## WHERE WAS PETERLOO?



Teacher Notes: Click on image for hyperlink to GIF.



#### WHERE WAS PETERLOO?

Today St Peter's Field is near to where St Peter's Square is in Manchester.

The hustings would have been just outside Manchester Central

Activity: Use google maps to work out how long would it take you to get there from where you live.





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