

Let's Correct!

- ▶ **1 Listen to the recording and choose the subjects that Lorraine Maher addresses.**
- ▶ *"heritage" – "places of origin and living" – "childhood" – "Irish identity"*
- ▶ **2 Focus on Lorraine's story of emigration and write down the verbs of movement, places and feelings. Narrate her journey in your own words.**
- ▶ *Verbs of movement: "come from" – "left" – "came to" – "moved"*
- ▶ *Places: "Carrick on Shannon" – "County Tipperary" – "Ireland" – "England" – "a black area"*
- ▶ *Feelings: "I didn't feel like..." – "I felt like I belonged" – "massively proud" – "a very strong proud" – "loved"*
- ▶ *Lorraine Maher was born in Carrick-on-Shannon, County Tipperary, in Ireland and she moved to England in a mostly black area because she felt like she didn't really belong in Ireland.*

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- ▶ **3 Find elements Lorraine connects to her Irish heritage.**
- ▶ *"Proud of my Irish heritage" – "a very strong proud Irish household" – "loved the Irish culture, the music" – "do Irish dancing in school" – "learn all the Irish songs". "I have taught them to my children" – "trying to teach my children Gaelic".*
- ▶ *Lorraine Maher is proud of her Irish heritage. She grew up in an extremely proud Irish family, she has always loved the Irish culture and music. When she was a child, she used to do Irish dancing classes in school and she learnt all the Irish songs. She has taught them to her children and tried to teach them Gaelic.*

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- ▶ **4 Describe Lorraine's experience of Irishness as a mixed-raced person. Would you say it was positive? Justify your answer.**
- ▶ *Although Lorraine Maher grew up in a family that was proud to be Irish, her overall experience as a mixed-race person in Ireland was not always positive. Being Irish is still an important part of her life because she teaches her children about the language and the culture, but she moved to England, to a more diverse area, because people had often questioned her identity as an Irish woman.*