COMPARING VICTORIAN AND MODERN HOSPITALS
Today you are going to compare Victorian Hospitals and Modern day hospitals.

- Notice the similarities (what is the same?)
- Notice the differences (what is different?)
- Explain how hospitals have improved
- Understand that Florence Nightingale changed hospitals for the better
WATCH THE VIDEO BELOW

- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hoQ-Zqv_fZg&safe=active](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hoQ-Zqv_fZg&safe=active) (link to YouTube) BBC Teach
Have a think about these questions. You could discuss the answers or write the answers down.

This is a picture of one of the wards at Scutari Hospital

What jobs are the two nurses in the picture doing?
What other jobs seem to have been done in this ward?
Who do you think the men in the picture are?
Do you think this would have been a comfortable place to stay? Why?
What do you think are the differences between this hospital and a modern one?
Modern Hospitals Today

What can you see in the pictures?

What clues tell you that the hospital is a modern one?
TAKE A LOOK AT THE WORKSHEET: COMPARING VICTORIAN HOSPITALS (INCLUDING FLORENCE’S) WITH MODERN HOSPITALS TODAY (DOWNLOAD)

Sort these statements into the correct columns. You can write your own statements too.

You do not need to use the print out if you have not got a printer or ink. You could draw a table in your book.

• Nurses and doctors work hard to look after people.
• Medicines such as antibiotics are used.
• Technology including computers help track patients heartbeats.
• Sheets and bandages are very dirty.
• Rats and mice scuttle across the floors.
• Patients have operations.
• Patients do not have any privacy.
• Doctors and nurses wear uniforms.
• Patients are served meals to help them recover.

Can you think of your own differences and similarities?
EXTENSION: EXPLAIN TO ANOTHER PERSON HOW HOSPITALS HAVE CHANGED SINCE THE VICTORIAN TIMES.