Mahatma Gandhi (1869- 1948)

When Gandhi was shot dead in 1948, he had no job and he wasn’t a King, or a Prime Minister. He was just a thin old man dressed in a cotton cloth. He lived a simple life, made his own clothes and wouldn’t even have had $10.00 in his pocket. His last meal was goat’s milk and raw vegetbles.

Mohandas K. Gandhi was born in 1869 in the Gujarat region of lndia. His father and grandfather were local officials in the Raj, the Goverment of the British Empire in India. To follow the famly into local government Gandhi had to study law. So in 1888, aged 18, he left his wife and new-born son behind and went to London to become a lawyer. Three years later in 1891, the day after he passed his exams, he sailed back to lndia. He didn’t stay in Britain one day longer than he had to.