LEARNING INTENTIONS

Describe examples of famous Scots and the countries they worked in

Explain what these Scots did to become famous and successful
Most Scots who travelled to other lands lived simple, ordinary lives. However many of them went on to make famous contributions still remembered today.
Many migrant Scots set up famous companies or invented famous products.

In England, John Logie Baird invented the first working TV. James Naysmith invented a steam hammer used in the iron industry.
Andrew Carnegie from Dunfermline moved to the USA and set up a steel company. He was one of the world’s richest men.

Robert Dollar from Falkirk moved to the USA and became owner of one of the world’s largest shipping companies.
Canadian Elizabeth Arden, who set up the famous cosmetics company, had a Scottish father who left his home country.

David Buick from Arbroath moved to the USA when he was aged two. He set up the Buick Motor Company, part of General Motors.
Politics

Many of the Scots who went elsewhere became very important politicians.

The Scots who went to England did well. James Ramsey MacDonald became the first Labour Prime Minister.
Andrew Fisher was born in Ayrshire in 1862. He moved to Australia and was Prime Minister there three times.

John A. McDonald was born in Glasgow in 1815 and went on to become the first ever Prime Minister of Canada.
Religion

Many Scots travelled overseas to spread the Christian message.

It is no surprise that some of those people are still remembered today.
David Livingstone travelled to Africa as a missionary. However he is best remembered as an explorer.

Mary Slessor also went to Africa to spread God’s word. She also campaigned for women’s rights.
Other reasons

Many Scots went on to have other claims to fame.

Allan Pinkerton from Glasgow set up a famous detective agency in the USA. He even worked for US resident Abraham Lincoln.
John Muir from Dunbar was a naturalist. He is credited with setting up the National Park system in the USA.

Juliette Gordon Low was granddaughter of a Scottish emigrant. She set up the Girl Scouts of America.
1930 MacRobertson Chocolates created Freddo Frog. Macpherson Robertson, the founder of ‘Mac Robertson Steam Confectionery Works’ that later became simply MacRobertsonocolates, was the son of a Scottish carpenter. He spent many of his early years in Leith and became an apprentice at a confectionery company. When his family moved back to Melbourne he started making sweets in his mother’s bathroom. Robertson became a great philanthropist as well as a hugely successful chocolate maker. He sponsored the MacRobertson Race from London to Melbourne, and financed a combined British, Australian and New Zealand expedition to the Antarctic. Part of the Antarctic was named ‘Mac Robertson Land’ in his honour.

Today Freddo Frog is the most popular children’s chocolate in Australia.
* Need to go over reasons why Scots were successful...

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MRP0teFwy1o
Andrew Carnegie's family left Dunfermline for the USA when Andrew was twelve. He managed to get a job with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. Here he prospered because of his energy and ability. He began the Company's sleeping car service. He also had great financial skills, borrowing a lot of money to invest. These investments proved to be enormously successful and made it possible for him to buy up iron and steel businesses, coalfields and steamships. In 1901 he sold his businesses to the US Steel Corporation. This made him the richest man in the world.

3. Assess how fully Source D explains why many Scots emigrants, like Andrew Carnegie, became successful abroad. (Use Source D and your own knowledge.)