

Sir Winston Churchill: The greatest Briton?

1899 Fame and daring: Video transcript

Still hungry for action he went off to the South African war as a war correspondent and he earned money by writing about his campaigns. He joined an armoured train that was wrecked and captured by the Boers. He was made a prisoner of war. He escaped and his captors offered £25 for his return. He wrote a book about this adventure and it made him famous.

Extract from BBC obituary of Churchill narrated by Richard Dimbleby