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## Black History Month

Black History Month is a yearly celebration of the achievements of African Americans. How much do you know about the history and accomplishments of African Americans? Set off on a webquest to find out!

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### Find It!

*Find the answers to the questions below by using the "Search" tool to search key words. Since this activity is about Black History Month, you can start by looking at the "African Americans" article.*

*Write the answers below each question or in the space provided.*

1. Where did the ancestors of most American blacks come from?
2. During which decade did the civil rights movement in the United States start?
3. By 1860, about \_\_\_\_\_ slaves lived in the South.
4. Which amendment to the U.S. Constitution ended slavery throughout the nation?
5. What did W. E. B. DuBois help form in 1909?
6. About how many African Americans served in the U.S. armed services during World War II?
7. Why was Rosa Parks arrested in 1955?
8. Who was the first black justice on the U.S. Supreme Court?
9. In 2008, \_\_\_\_\_ became the first African American to be elected president.

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## Watch It!

*In the “African Americans” article, find the “Did African Americans fight in the American Civil War?” video on the left-hand side.*

10. Early in the Civil War, why were many blacks who tried to enlist in the Union Army turned down?
11. What did the 54th Massachusetts regiment help prove at the Battle of Fort Wagner?

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## Famous African Americans

*World Book Kids has articles on many famous African Americans. Look up the World Book article for each of the people listed in questions 12-20. In the space below, write a short piece of new information you learned about each of these people.*

12. Name of article: *George Washington Carver* One new fact:

13. Name of article: *Frederick Douglass* One new fact:

14. Name of article: *Mae Carol Jemison* One new fact:

15. Name of article: *Martin Luther King, Jr.* One new fact:

16. Name of article: *Barack Obama* One new fact:

17. Name of article: *Rosa Louise Parks* One new fact:

18. Name of article: *Jackie Robinson* One new fact:

19. Name of article: *Sojourner Truth* One new fact:

20. Name of article: *Harriet Tubman* One new fact:

## What's the Word?

Questions 21-30. Find the words hidden within the puzzle from the list below. The words may be spelled out vertically (up and down), horizontally (across), or diagonally (slanted). Also, the words may be spelled in the right order, or they may be spelled backwards.

AFRICAN AMERICANS	J U S S L S Y A P E M D I U I R T V I Z F M
BARACK OBAMA	J R R E J M P U J T U W E W O O W R H Y H A
CIVIL RIGHTS	G A P S K R A P A S O R C K M O V C F C X R
CIVIL WAR	S W M J F F V L N A Z S A A V R M N Z W I T
DISCRIMINATION	N L O N Q M N D W L M Z F B Y W S T B M D I
HARRIET TUBMAN	A I K O J G X O I A Y A Q K T G N N V P R N
JACKIE ROBINSON	C V Z S W P X V F R Z N B D O O A R B A Z L
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.	I I A N J X E A Q W X L T O I X E Z L U W U
ROSA PARKS	R C L I R I W L L W K H H T K L J Q I E H T
SLAVERY	E M V B M R X N U X B N A E S C L C U H Q H
	M E K O Y T F S L M L N W I R W A E A A E E
	A W H R R L Z J O C I S Q B P H N R L K K R
	N Y D E Q J G U B M P Z V A E A R T A Z X K
	A N S I C T X M I I L C D J B I X B X B I I
	C R E K Z T R R B G W S G C E K N N O S Z N
	I D H C I Q C F P V L S D T D S J Y K T Z G
	R R V A F S G F W A Q N T Q D D Z Z P H J J
	F N C J I W K E V G G U U G A H A A V R J R
	A N K D T X C E G G B Q O T I M S F B P O H
	U V C R J V R S D M X G K N J Q G X N K W W
	P V G B E Y J C A Y Q C F U G F C Q T L B R
	O U R T S U M N Y U C I V I L R I G H T S V

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*Frederick Douglass*. Chicago: World Book, 2018. How I Changed the World. *World eBook Web*. 19 Feb. 2019.  
<<http://www.worldbookonline.com/wb/ebooks/mall/instt/catalog/urn:ISBN:978-0-7166-2280-2/detail.do>>.

*Jackie Robinson: with Profiles of Satchel Paige and Branch Rickey*. Chicago: World Book, 2013. Biographical Connections. *World eBook Web*. 19 Feb. 2019.  
<<http://www.worldbookonline.com/wb/ebooks/mall/instt/catalog/urn:ISBN:978-0-7166-1884-3/detail.do>>.

*Martin Luther King, Jr.: with Profiles of Mohandas K. Gandhi and Nelson Mandela*. Chicago: World Book, 2013. Biographical Connections. *World eBook Web*. 19 Feb. 2019.  
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# Teacher Page

## Answers

1. The ancestors of most American blacks came from west-central Africa.
2. The civil rights movement in the United States started in the 1950's.
3. By 1860, about 4 million slaves lived in the South.
4. The 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution ended slavery throughout the nation.
5. W. E. B. Du Bois helped form the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in 1909.
6. About 1 million African Americans served in the U.S. armed services during World War II.
7. Rosa Parks was arrested in 1955, because she had refused to give up her seat on a bus to a white passenger.
8. Thurgood Marshall was the first black justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.
9. In 2008, Barack Obama became the first African American to be elected president.
10. Early in the Civil War, blacks who tried to enlist in the Union Army were turned down because it was believed that blacks would not be good soldiers.
11. At the Battle of Fort Wagner, the 54th Massachusetts regiment helped prove that black soldiers were good soldiers and that they could fight very well.

12-20. Answers will vary.

21-30. Word Search Solution:

J U S S L S Y A P E M D I U I R T V I Z F M  
J R R E J M P U J T U W E W O O W R H Y H A  
G A P S K R A P A S O R C K M O V C F C X R  
S W M J F F V L N A Z S A A V R M N Z W I T  
N L O N Q M N D W L M Z F B Y W S T B M D I  
A I K O J G X O I A Y A Q K T G N N V P R N  
C V Z S W P X V F R Z N B D O O A R B A Z L  
I I A N J X E A Q W X L T O I X E Z L U W U  
R C L I R I W L L W K H H T K L J Q I E H T  
E M V B M R X N U X B N A E S C L C U H Q H  
M E K O Y T F S L M L N W I R W A E A A E E  
A W H R R L Z J O C I S Q B P H N R L K K R  
N Y D E Q J G U B M P Z V A E A R T A Z X K  
A N S I C T X M I I L C D J B I X B X B I I  
C R E K Z T R R B G W S G C E K N N O S Z N  
I D H C I Q C F P V L S D T D S J Y K T Z G  
R R V A F S G F W A Q N T Q D D Z Z P H J J  
F N C J I W K E V G G U U G A H A A V R J R  
A N K D T X C E G G B Q O T I M S F B P O H  
U V C R J V R S D M X G K N J Q G X N K W W  
P V G B E Y J C A Y Q C F U G F C Q T L B R  
O U R T S U M N Y U C I V I L R I G H T S V