

Black History Quiz #1 (2024)

Please read and answer completely.

1. _____ was born into slavery and was traveling from Mississippi to southern California with plantation owners Robert and Rebecca Smith. She became a nurse and midwife for the newly arrived immigrants and wealthy clients.
2. _____ was an astronaut who with his fellow crew members on space shuttle mission 41-B executed the first runway landing of the Challenger at Kennedy Space Center.
3. While working her way through Fisk University in pursuit of a teaching degree, _____ became the president of the literary society, associate editor of the campus newspaper. She met her future husband. She also supported her husband at Tuskegee Institute.
4. Stage coach driver _____ was one of the two black men who carried the mail on the famous Pony Express was also the son of an early California gold miner. His record as a reputable stage coach driver led him to the honor of driving Presidents Ulysses S. Grant and Rutherford B. Hayes along the dangerous S curves into Yosemite Valley.
5. Born Matilda Joyner, an opera singer from Portsmouth, Virginia, _____, enrolled into the Providence Academy of Music at the age of fourteen.
6. _____ graduated from Dartmouth College and taught at Howard University's zoology and physiology departments. He received many awards-including the first ever, Spingarn Medal in 1915.
7. Born in Washington, D.C., Elizabeth _____ studied art under Grant Wood at the University of Iowa. She then taught at Hampton University in Virginia. She mingled with intellectuals and artists including Jacob Lawrence and Langston Hughes.
8. _____ was a superlative athlete with a graceful style and speed. He worked in bicycle shops as a youth. He won many awards for racing.
9. _____ was a contemporary of Kit Carson, Davy Crockett, and Daniel Boone. In 1844, he led a group of settlers through a newly discovered passage through the Sierra Nevada mountain range.
10. This Texas attorney announced her candidacy for the Democratic nomination for state representative February 3, 1962, after borrowing the \$500 filing fee.

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