

SMART STUFF

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Directions: Have fun honing multiple-choice test-taking skills. Divide the class into two teams to play this special Black History Month edition of Smart Stuff. Score 5 points for each correct answer. Or, use Smart Stuff as a research activity. Students may research categories in groups or individually.

WORLD AND GEOGRAPHY

- Hiram Revels, the first African American U.S. senator, represented which state?
 - Mississippi
 - Alabama
 - Virginia
 - Rosa Parks's refusal to give up her seat to a white passenger sparked a major bus boycott in which city?
 - Greensboro, N.C.
 - Montgomery, Ala.
 - Washington, D.C.
 - Where is the National Civil Rights Museum?
 - Memphis, Tenn.
 - Chicago
 - New York
 - Before being elected president, Barack Obama was a senator from which state?
 - New York
 - Ohio
 - Illinois
 - Where did Martin Luther King Jr. deliver his "I Have a Dream" speech?
 - Jefferson Memorial
 - Washington Monument
 - Lincoln Memorial
- In which year did the U.S. Supreme Court rule that school segregation was unconstitutional?
 - 1941
 - 1948
 - 1954
 - The 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution
 - granted former slaves U.S. citizenship.
 - abolished slavery.
 - gave African Americans the right to vote.
 - Who was the first African American to run for president?
 - Barack Obama
 - Shirley Chisholm
 - Colin Powell
 - Thurgood Marshall was the first African American
 - U.S. secretary of defense.
 - U.S. Supreme Court justice.
 - U.S. secretary of state.

CULTURE AND SPORTS

- Arthur Ashe Stadium, named in honor of the first male African American tennis player to win a Grand Slam event, is located in
 - Florida.
 - North Carolina.
 - New York.
- Who was the first African American to win a Nobel Prize in literature?
 - Toni Morrison
 - Countee Cullen
 - Zora Neale Hurston
- Alice Walker won the 1983 Pulitzer Prize in fiction for which novel?
 - Beloved*
 - The Bluest Eye*
 - The Color Purple*
- Who was the first African American woman to win a Grammy Award?
 - Ella Fitzgerald
 - Aretha Franklin
 - Marian Anderson
- Who was the first African American head coach to win a Super Bowl?
 - Tony Dungy
 - Art Shell
 - Herman Edwards

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- Guion Bluford was the first
 - African American nurse.
 - U.S. surgeon general.
 - African American in space.
- Who was the first African American to receive a U.S. patent?
 - George Washington Carver
 - Thomas L. Jennings
 - Sarah E. Goode
- Lewis Latimer invented
 - a telephone.
 - a traffic light.
 - a carbon filament.
- Charles Drew is known for
 - organizing blood banks.
 - inventing the computer.
 - piloting the first airplane.
- Who was the first African American to earn a medical degree?
 - Mary Eliza Mahoney
 - Rebecca Lee Crumpler
 - James McCune Smith

HISTORY

- In 1957, which president sent U.S. army officers to escort African American students into Little Rock Central High School?
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower
 - John F. Kennedy
 - Harry S. Truman