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ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2Timothy 2:15 KJV*

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# **THE ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**

**(Q)** Who played the role of Celie in the movie version of Alice Walker's book, *The Color Purple* ?

**(A) Whoopi Goldberg**

**(Q)** The Guinness Book of World Records lists which Michael Jackson album as the best-selling album of all times?

**(A) Thriller**

**(Q)** Boasting twelve number one singles on the Billboard Hot 100 charts, what female singing group was the most successful American vocal group of all times?

**(A) The Supremes**

**(Q)** What show was the highest-rated talk show in television history?

**(A) The Oprah Winfrey Show**

**(Q)** What was Louis Armstrong's nickname?

**(A) Satchmo**

**(Q)** Billie Holiday's life was the subject of what famous film?

**(A) Lady Sings the Blues**

**(Q)** Known as the "hardest working man in show business" and "the godfather of soul," who was he?

**(A) James Brown**

**(Q)** The Musical Hall of Fame includes a husband and wife duo who sang "Proud Mary" in 1969. Who were they?

**(A) Ike and Tina Turner**

**(Q)** What song recorded by Louis Armstrong became the nation's number one record in 1964?

**(A) Hello Dolly**

**(Q)** Whose well known songs include "Ain't That a Shame" and "Blueberry Hill" ?

**(A) Fats Domino**

**(Q)** What group had a popular song called "*Midnight Train To Georgia*?"

**(A) Gladys Knight and the Pips**

**(Q)** This trumpet player was also a vocalist and was the first to use a technique known as scat singing. What was his name?

**(A) Louis (Satchmo) Armstrong**

**(Q)** What famous musician's trademark was puffing cheeks and a trumpet bell that pointed skyward?

**(A) Dizzy Gillespie**

**(Q)** What name did B.B. King give his guitar?

**(A) "Lucille"**

**(Q)** Ernest J. Gaines is a short story writer who wrote a 1971 historical novel turned television movie whose main character was a 110 year-old woman who narrated her life story? What is the name of the movie?

**(A) The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman**

**(Q)** Porgy was a Black musical play that had its debut in 1927. It became a film in 1959 entitled Porgy and Bess and had an all-star black cast. Name two of the actors/actresses that performed in this film?

**(A) Sidney Poitier, Dorothy Dandridge, Pearl Bailey, Sammy Davis, Jr., Brock Peters, Diahann Carroll, Ivan Dixon, Clarence Muse**

**(Q)** Who was the first Black American poet to be nationally recognized for his writing?

**(A) Paul Lawrence Dunbar**

**(Q)** This multifaceted author started her career as an entertainer. She is also a poet who delivered her poem “On the Pulse of the Morning” at President Bill Clinton’s inauguration in 1993. What is her name?

**(A) Maya Angelou**

**(Q)** The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) refused to let her perform at Constitution Hall in Washington, D.C. in 1939. She later became the first Black member of the Metropolitan Opera Company. Who was she?

**(A) Marian Anderson**

**(Q)** She was known as the “queen of gospel music.” Her first recording “Move On Up a Little Higher” sold over a million copies in 1945. What was her name?

**(A) Mahalia Jackson**

**(Q)** Hattie McDaniel was the first Black performer to receive an Academy Award. She won for Best Supporting Actress for what 1939 film?

**(A) Gone With the Wind**

**(Q)** He was a supporter of the Abolitionist Movement and published a newspaper called “The North Star”. What is his name?

**(A) Frederick Douglass**

**(Q)** This dancer-choreographer founded his own dance company in 1957 and developed one of the best known, most often seen modern dance performances. Name him.

**(A) Alvin Ailey**

**(Q)** “Banjo Lesson” is a famous painting by what African American artist?

**(A) Henry Ossawa Tanner**

# **BUSINESS AND EDUCATION**

(Q) What organization with the initials UNCF helps fund over forty Black American colleges and universities?

(A) **United Negro College Fund**

(Q) Before A. Philip Randolph established a successful labor union for Black train porters, approximately how much money were these workers being paid per day?

(A) **\$2.00**

(Q) What two colonial crops utilized a large number of slaves imported from Africa?

(A) **Tobacco and Cotton**

(Q) We know her as Madame C.J. Walker, innovator of beauty products. What was her real name?

(A) **Sara Breedlove Walker**

(Q) They called him *Famous Amos*. What was his real name?

(A) **Wally Amos**

(Q) He was the owner and publisher of Ebony and Jet magazines. Who was he?

(A) **John H. Johnson**

(Q) What labor activist founded the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters in 1925?

(A.) **A. Philip Randolph**

(Q) What is the name of the school of higher learning that was founded by Booker T. Washington in 1881?

(A) **Tuskegee Institute**

(Q) Established in 1881, what college holds the distinction of being America's oldest historically black college for women?

(A) **Spelman College**

**(Q)** Whose sales of innovative beauty products sold throughout the United States and the Caribbean led her to become the first African American female millionaire?

**(A) Madame C.J. Walker**

**(Q)** She owns her own TV station and became the first African American female billionaire in 2004? Who is she?

**(A) Oprah Winfrey**

**(Q)** Raising \$150,000 over seven years, this choir from Nashville traveled around the world singing spirituals to raise money for their college. What was the name of this choir?

**(A) The Fisk Jubilee Singers**

**(Q)** From what college did Martin Luther King, Jr. graduate?

**(A) Morehouse College**

**(Q)** In what year did the U.S. Supreme Court order school integration?

**(A) 1955**

**(Q)** The United Negro College Fund was established in 1944 to provide financial support to students who are enrolled in HBCU's? What do the letters HBCU stand for?

**(A) Historically Black Colleges and Universities**

**(Q)** Coppin State College in Baltimore, Maryland was established in 1900 and named after what slave who became one of the leading black women educators of the nineteenth century?

**(A) Fanny Jackson Coppin**

**(Q)** The University of the District of Columbia was organized by free Black women in 1865 under what name?

**(A) Miner Normal School**

**(Q)** Both President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama were graduates of what law school?

**(A) Harvard Law School**

**(Q)** Who was refused admission to the University of Mississippi in 1961, forcing US Marshals to escort him to class?

**(A) James Meredith**

**(Q)** What occupation do Iman, Beverly Johnson, and Naomi Sims have in common?

**(A) Modeling**

**(Q)** Who was the first Black network television anchor?

**(A) Max Robinson**

**(Q)** What is the name of Oprah Winfrey's TV production company?

**(A) Harpo Productions**

**(Q)** What famous Black American was a reporter on the CBS television program 60 Minutes?

**(A) Ed Bradley**

**(Q)** In 1991, what became the first Black-controlled company to be listed on the New York Stock Exchange?

**(A) BET** (Black Entertainment Television)

**(Q)** What college, originally established as August Institute, was organized by three ministers in the basement of a Baptist church in 1867?

**(A) Morehouse College**

**(Q)** Who was the first Black American woman to have her own weekly television series called Julia?

**(A) Diahann Carroll**



# **POLITICS AND MILITARY**

**(Q)** Benjamin O. Davis, Sr. was the first black general of which branch of the U.S. Armed Forces?

**(A) The U.S. Army**

**(Q)** In 1991 she was the first Black woman to become mayor of Washington, D.C. What is her name?

**(A) Sharon Pratt Kelly**

**(Q)** Which Constitutional Amendment states that "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude shall exist within the United States".

**(A) Thirteenth Amendment**

**(Q)** In 1972, who became the first woman candidate for President of the United States?

**(A) Shirley Chisholm**

**(Q)** Who was the first elected Black American governor in Virginia?

**(A) L. Douglas Wilder**

**(Q)** Ratified in 1868, what did the Fourteenth Amendment of the Constitution grant?

**(A) Citizenship to all persons born or naturalized in the United States**

**(Q)** A mischievous child, Thurgood Marshall was forced to read the U.S. Constitution as punishment and, by high school, had it memorized. As lawyer for the NAACP, before his appointment as the first Black Supreme Court justice, he argued and won what case challenging public school segregation?

**(A) Brown v. Board of Education**

**(Q)** Inaugurated as the 44th president on January 20, 2009, who became the first African American president of the United States?

**(A) Barack Hussein Obama**

**(Q)** He was a popular politician who served as the second Mayor of the District of Columbia from 1979 to 1991, and again as the fourth mayor from 1995 to 1999. What was his name?

**(A) Marion Barry**

**(Q)** This young politician served as lieutenant governor of Maryland from 2007 until 2015. He now represents the fourth district of Maryland as a congressman. Who is he?

**(A) Anthony Brown**

**(Q)** She has been the District of Columbia's representative in congress since 1991. Who is she?

**(A) Eleanor Holmes Norton**

**(Q)** She was America's first African American First Lady. What is her name?

**(A) Michelle Obama**

**(Q)** What constitutional amendment gave Blacks the right to vote?

**(A) The Fifteenth Amendment**

**(Q)** Name the African American who in 1770 became the first casualty of the American Revolution when he was shot and killed in the Boston Massacre.

**(A) Crispus Attucks**

**(Q)** When Thurgood Marshall retired from the U.S. Supreme Court in 1991, who was appointed to fill his position?

**(A) Clarence Thomas**

**(Q)** Who in 2001 became the first African American to serve as U.S. Secretary of State?

**(A) Colin Powell**

**(Q)** Who was the first Black U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations: Andrew Young or Julian Bond?

**(A) Andrew Young**

**(Q)** He served as the 82nd Attorney General of the United States, from 2009 to 2015. Serving in the administration of President Barack Obama, he became the first African American to hold the position of U.S. Attorney General. What is his name?

**(A) Eric Holder Jr.**

**(Q)** She is the first African-American female to hold the position of Attorney General of the United States. Who is she?

**(A) Loretta Lynch**

**(Q)** Name the father and son who were the first black generals in two different branches of the armed forces.

**(A) Benjamin O. Davis Sr. (Army) and Benjamin O Davis Jr. (Air Force)**

**(Q)** Who became the first female National Security Adviser in 2001 and first Black woman Secretary of State in 2005?

**(A) Condoleezza Rice**

**(Q)** What was the name of the all Black regiment in the U.S. Army who were the original members of the U.S. 10th Cavalry Regiment in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas?

**(A) The Buffalo Soldiers**

# **SCIENCE AND EXPLORATION**

**(Q)** What two plants did George Washington Carver use to develop many useful products?

**(A)** **The Sweet Potato and the Peanut**

**(Q)** Matthew Henson traveled with Robert Perry and became the first person to set foot on what area?

**(A)** **North Pole**

**(Q)** The world's first open heart surgery was performed by what African American doctor?

**(A)** **Dr. Daniel Hale Williams**

**(Q)** Who was the first Black woman astronaut to travel in space?

**(A)** **Dr. Mae Jemison**

**(Q)** In 1978 who became the first Black astronaut in space.

**(A)** **Lieutenant Colonel Guion S. Bluford, Jr.**

**(Q)** Who trained in France and received her pilot's license in 1921, making her the first Black woman to fly a plane?

**(A)** **Bessie Coleman**

**(Q)** This man developed mathematical formulas to calculate weather and astronomical events and in 1789 predicted the eclipse on the sun. Who was he?

**(A)** **Benjamin Banneker**

**(Q)** Ronald McNair, Charles Bolden, Frederick Gregory, Mae Jemison, and Guy Bluford. What do these Black scientists have in common?

**(A)** **They were all astronauts**

**(Q)** In 1901, this man's first invention was a belt fastener for sewing machines which he sold for \$50. He was also the inventor of the traffic light. What is his name?

**(A)** **Garrett Morgan**

**(Q)** George Washington Carver used a mule-drawn wagon to go to area farmers to teach them about improving crop yields. What was this wagon called?

**(A) Moveable School**

**(Q)** Her invention of the straightening comb changed the Black hair care industry. What was her name?

**(A) Madame C. J. Walker**

**(Q)** This famous African American inventor created an automatic lubricator for oiling steam engines in 1872. The term "the real McCoy" is believed to be a reference about the reliability of this invention. What was the inventor's name?

**(A) Elijah McCoy**

**(Q)** This African American scientist discovered techniques to store blood and developed blood banks.

**(A) Dr. Charles Drew**

**(Q)** He patented an electric elevator in 1887 with automatic doors that would close off the shaft way, thus making elevators safer. What is his name?

**(A) Alexander Miles**

**(Q)** An expert on heating, ventilation and air-conditioning, he holds 39 U.S. patents and 80 international patents pertaining to heating, refrigeration and temperature regulating systems. He created a heating system for New York City's Radio City Music Hall. What is his name?

**(A) David Crosthwait Jr.**

**(Q)** This engineer created electronic control devices for guided missiles, IBM computers, and the control unit for a pacemaker. Who was he?

**(A) Otis Boykin**

**(Q)** This African American nuclear engineer invented the ultraviolet electrographic camera, used in the 1972 Apollo 16 mission. This invention revealed new features of Earth's far-outer atmosphere and deep-space objects from the perspective of the lunar surface. He was inducted into the National Inventor's Hall of Fame in 2003. What is his name?

**(A) George Carruthers**

**(Q)** He held over 60 patents with most of them pertaining to refrigeration. His portable air conditioner was used in World War 2 to preserve medicine and blood serum. Who was he?

**(A) Frederick Jones**

**(Q)** In 1872 he became the first person to patent a fire extinguisher. What was his name?

**(A) Thomas J. Martin**

**(Q)** He invented the Shoe Lasting machine, which connected the upper part of the shoe to the sole, a painstaking process that was usually done by hand. This invention revolutionized the shoe making industry.

**(A) Jan Ernst Matzeliger**

**(Q)** In 1885 this African American woman invented a bed that folded up into a cabinet. Contrary to popular belief, she was not the first African-American woman to receive a patent, but the second. What is her name?

**(A) Sarah E. Goode**

**(Q)** He was the second African-American to receive a patent, invented a corn seed planter in 1834 and a cotton planter in 1836. He could not read or write and signed his name with an X. What was his name?

**(A) Henry Blair**

**(Q)** In 1886 he created what is now known as a "strongbox", which is a metal container to store money and important papers that could be locked with a key. What is his name?

**(A) Henry Brown**

## **SPORTS / MISCELLANEOUS**

**(Q)** This phrase refers to a promise that was issued by a Union General in 1865 to former slaves as a form of reparation. What is that phrase?

**(A)** ***“40 ACRES AND A MULE”***

**(Q)** Matthew Henson was an explorer and became famous for what?

**(A)** **Being the first man to set foot on the North Pole first**

**(Q)** This woman’s actions sparked the “Montgomery Bus Boycott” when she refused to give up her seat on a bus? What is her name?

**(A)** **Rosa Parks**

**(Q)** On January 1, 1863 what significant declaration did President Lincoln issue proclaiming an end to slavery?

**(A)** **The Emancipation Proclamation**

**(Q)** President Barack Obama won a very prestigious award shortly after he became president. What award was this?

**(A)** **Nobel Peace Prize**

**(Q)** Mary McLeod Bethune was the founder and both she and Dorothy Height served as president of what national women’s organization?

**(A)** **National Council of Negro Women**

**(Q)** In 1909 W.E.B. Du Bois co-founded a national organization whose acronym is NAACP. What do these letters stand for?

**(A)** **National Association for the Advancement of Colored People**

**(Q)** Cells were removed from her body in 1935 without her permission and are still alive today. These cells were used in research that led to a cure for many diseases. The cells were called HELA. What is the name of the woman from whom these cells were taken.

**(A)** **Henrietta Lacks**

**(Q)** This group was established by Congress on September 21, 1866 as the first peacetime all-black regiment in the regular U.S. Army. What was this group called?

**(A) The Buffalo Soldiers**

**(Q)** In 1947 who became the first African American to play in a Major League Baseball game?

**(A) Jackie Robinson**

**(Q)** In 1963 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. spoke at an event which demanded economic and employment opportunities as well as civil rights. Dr. King also delivered his famous "*I Have A Dream*" speech at this event. What was the event called?

**(A) March On Washington**

**(Q)** The words were written by James Weldon Johnson and it became the Negro National Anthem. What is the name of the song?

**(A) "Lift Every Voice and Sing"**

**(Q)** Who was the first Black justice appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court?

**(A) Thurgood Marshall**

**(Q)** Who were the first group of African Americans ever trained as fighter pilots?

**(A) The Tuskegee Airmen**

**(Q)** Representing the country of Jamaica, this runner's accomplishments include Eight times Olympic Champion, 11 times world champion, 4 times laureus world sportsman of the year, triple world record holder, and has been known as the world's fastest runner. What is his name?

**(A) Hussein Bolt**

**(Q)** At the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia, these sisters teamed up to win the doubles gold medal. They were the first pair of sisters ever to accomplish this feat, which they repeated in 2008. Who were they?

**(A) Venus and Serena Williams**



**(Q)** Who was the African-American athlete that declared himself “The Greatest”?

**(A) Muhammed Ali**

**(Q)** Who was the first Black golfer to win the Masters Golf Tournament?

**(A) Tiger Woods**

**(Q)** This person was the first Black athlete to play in the baseball major league. What is his name?

**(A) Jackie Robinson.**

**(Q)** This famous African American boxer was known as the “Brown Bomber”. Who was he?

**(A) Joe Louis**

**(Q)** This exhibition basketball team combines athleticism, theater, and comedy. Who are they?

**(A) The Harlem Globetrotters**

**(Q)** Gabby Douglas, Dominique Dawes and Simone Biles all participated in what Olympic sport?

**(A) Gymnastics**

**(Q)** A track and field athlete, she has been considered the best all-round female athlete in the world. Her specialties are the long jump and heptathlon. She won medals in the 1984, 1988, 1992, and 1996 Olympics, taking home three gold medals, one silver and two bronze. Who is she?

**(A) Jackie Joyner-Kersey**

**(Q)** Her 100m and 200m world records, set in 1988, have not yet been surpassed. Sometimes called Flo-Jo, she was known for both her flashy personal style of dress (and fingernails), and for her speed records.

**(A) Florence Griffith Joyner**

# **BIBLE FACTS AND BAPTIST BELIEFS**

**(Q)** In Romans chapter 12, what does Paul say we should do to those who persecute us?

**(A) Bless Them**

**(Q)** Which of these men were not thrown into King Nebuchadnezzar's fiery furnace? Shadrach, Meshach, Daniel, Abednego

**(A) Daniel**

**(Q)** Which book follows the book of Numbers in the Old Testament?

**(A) Deuteronomy**

**(Q)** In what country did Jesus talk to a woman beside a well who had an issue of blood?

**(A) Samaria**

**(Q)** What name did Abraham give unto the place where he was willing to offer up his son Isaac? Was it Jehovah-nissi, Jehovah-jireh, Kadesh-barnea, or Moriah ?

**(A) Jehovah-jireh**

**(Q)** Which of these women was Sarah's handmaiden? . Bilhah, Leah, Hagar, or Zilpah ?

**(A) Hagar**

**(Q)** Who was the husband of Bathsheba and was murdered by David?

**(A) Uriah**

**(Q)** What was the name of Abraham and Sarah's son?

**(A) Isaac**

**(Q)** On what day were the disciples filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues?

**(A) Pentecost**

**(Q)** What two cities are both called `the city of David`?  
Bethlehem and Jerusalem or Jerusalem and Hebron?

**(A) Bethlehem and Jerusalem**

**(Q)** Who were the first two apostles called to follow Jesus?

**(A) Peter and Andrew**

**(Q)** To what city was Saul traveling when he encountered a great and blinding light?

**(A) Damascus**

**(Q)** Finish this verse. "In every battle you will need faith as your \_\_\_\_\_ to stop the fiery arrows aimed at you by Satan."

**(A) Shield**

**(Q)** After Jesus fed 5,000 people with two fish and five loaves of bread, how many baskets were left over?

**(A) 12**

**(Q)** By what name was Paul of Tarsus known before he began his missionary journeys?

**(A) Saul**

**(Q)** When Christians observe Palm Sunday, what biblical event are they celebrating?

**(A) Jesus' entry into Jerusalem before his death**

**(Q)** What is the common name given to the first four books of the New Testament?

**(A) The gospels**

**(Q)** Who was the tax collector that climbed up a tree so he could see Jesus?

**(A) Zachaeus**

**(Q)** What did Jesus do for Lazarus?

**(A) Raised him from the dead**

**(Q)** Jesus often told stories to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson? What is the collective name of these stories?

**(A) Parables**

**(Q)** What is the name of the last book of the Old Testament ?

**(A) Malachi**

**(Q)** What is the last word in the last book of the New Testament (KJV)?

**(A) Amen**

**(Q)** From which country did Moses help the Israelites escape from their lives of slavery?

**(A) Egypt**

**(Q)** On which day of the year could the High Priest enter the Holiest Place which is the inner most part of the temple where the covenant box was kept?

**(A) The Day of Atonement**

**(Q)** What did God ask Abraham to sacrifice to him on Mount Moriah?

**(A) His only son, Isaac**