

WOMEN'S HISTORY

READING COMPREHENSION!

Name: _____ **Women's History L1**

Selena Gomez

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1) What is Selena Gomez known for?

☐ a singer ☐ a snowboarder

☐ a farmer ☐ a cheerleader

2) What year was she born?

☐ 1999 ☐ 1929

☐ 1992 ☐ 1922

3) What agency has she served as an ambassador for?

☐ USDA ☐ UNICEF

☐ DOD ☐ DISA



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Name: _____ **Women's History LJ**



Dara Torres

Dara is a former competitive swimmer. She is a 12-time Olympic medalist and formally held three world records. At age 41, she was the oldest swimmer to earn a place on a U.S. Olympic team. She has also worked in T.V. and as a model.

1) What was Dara known for?

- ☐ fitness instruction ☐ competitive gymnastics
☐ competitive swimming ☐ competitive diving

2) How many times has she won an Olympic medal?

- ☐ 12 ☐ 6
☐ 5 ☐ 11

3) She has achieved 3 what?

- ☐ master's degrees ☐ coaching certifications
☐ black belts ☐ world records

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- ☐ dermatologist ☐ cardiologist
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- ☐ health services ☐ libraries
☐ transportation ☐ universities

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- ☐ 2011 ☐ 2001
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1) Kamala is the first female to be what?

- ☐ U.S. vice president ☐ U.S. president
☐ Grand Admiral ☐ Prime Minister

2) What year did she become vice president?

- ☐ 2020 ☐ 2021
☐ 2022 ☐ 2023

3) When did she receive the Thurgood Marshall Award?

- ☐ 2003 ☐ 2004
☐ 2005 ☐ 2006

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1) What is Rhianna known for?

- ☐ gardening ☐ playing baseball
☐ singing ☐ rock climbing

2) How many Grammy Awards has she won?

- ☐ 7 ☐ 9
☐ 14 ☐ 10

3) When was she made a National Hero of Barbados?

- ☐ 2021 ☐ 2022
☐ 2011 ☐ 2012

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- ☐ a movie director ☐ a farmer
☐ an engineer ☐ an activist

2) What year was Rosa Parks born?

- ☐ 1913 ☐ 1933
☐ 1911 ☐ 1931

3) Where did she refuse to give up her seat?

- ☐ a train ☐ a park
☐ a bus ☐ a boat

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Students can practice critical thinking and deductive reasoning to make meaning of the text!

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☐ a Congresswoman ☐ a detective
- 2) What kind of programs did she work on for Native Americans?
☐ medical care ☐ community development
☐ military defense ☐ child care
- 3) What profession did she have in the 2010s?
☐ journalist ☐ cooking show host
☐ mixed martial artist ☐ graphic designer

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Answer keys included for quick and easy assessment!

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Women's History Historical Figures

KALA BAGAI

Birth Date: April 15th 1893

Birth Place: Amritsar, British Raj

Early Life: Kala was born into a Sikh family. She got married and had three sons, Brij, Madan, and Ram. Her husband, Vaishno Das Bagai, was involved in an anti-colonial Ghadar Party and wanted to move to America to join other party members.

Accomplishments: In 1915, at age 21, she immigrated to the United States with her family. She was one of the first Asian women in the United States at the time. She was a social activist and worked for the rights of immigrants.



MAYA LIN

Name: **Jessica**



Helen Keller

She was an: **author**

What I learned:

She was an author and disability rights advocate.

Cut and build the word: AUTHOR

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Name: **Amaya**



Bessie Coleman

Bessie was born in Atlanta, Texas. In 1921, she became the first African American woman and the first Native American to earn a pilot's license. She became a stunt flier and inspired women and African American to learn how to fly.

1) Who was Bessie Coleman?

- ☐ The first Olympic gymnast from Texas
☐ The first stunt pilot
☐ The first ballerina
☒ The first African American woman pilot

2) When did she become a pilot?

- ☒ 1921
☐ 1984
☐ 1923
☐ 1821

3) Where was she born?

- ☐ Atlanta, Georgia
☒ Atlanta, Texas
☐ Dallas, Texas
☐ Nashville, Tennessee

Name: **Kaiyan**



Maya Lin

Maya won a design contest of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Her design was a black, gray, and white design with the names of the fallen soldiers. She was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1994 by President Barack Obama.

1) What contest did Maya win?

She won a design contest on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

2) Who gave her an award?

President Barack Obama gave her an award.

3) What was her design?

Her design was a black, gray, and white design with the names of the fallen soldiers.

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