



Famous African American Men

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Use the *Encyclopedia Britannica's Guide to Black History* at <http://www.britannica.com/blackhistory> to help you identify each man listed below. Then do the 3-way match. First draw a line from the man's name to his accomplishment. Then draw a line from his accomplishment to the year in which it occurred.

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| 1. Ralph Abernathy | a. A brilliant mathematician and inventor, he predicted a solar eclipse in... | 1789 |
| 2. Benjamin Banneker | b. First African American citizen elected to the U.S. Senate, in... | 1870 |
| 3. Guion S. Bluford, Jr. | c. Known as the "father of black baseball," he founded the Negro National League in... | 1920 |
| 4. Rube Foster | d. First African American to serve as mayor of a large city, Cleveland, in... | 1921 |
| 5. Rafer Johnson | e. Riots resulted when he became the first African American student at the University of Mississippi in... | 1925 |
| 6. James Meredith | f. First black athlete to carry the American flag in the opening ceremonies of the Olympic Games, in... | 1955 |
| 7. Fritz Pollard | g. Played Joe and sang "Ol' Man River" in the play <i>Show Boat</i> in... | 1960 |
| 8. Hiram Revels | h. First African-American astronaut to be launched into space, in... | 1962 |
| 9. Paul Robeson | i. Son of a farmer, he helped Martin Luther King organize Montgomery's bus boycott in... | 1967 |
| 10. Carl Stokes | j. First African American head coach in the National Football League (NFL), in... | 1983 |