Black History 101

Name ____________________

DIRECTIONS: Read each clue below. Each clue tells about a famous black American on the list at the bottom of the page. Use the list to connect to a short biography of each person. On the line next to each clue, write the name of the person to whom the clue refers.

1. _________________ This person started the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute in Alabama where black children could learn skills such as shoemaking and farming.

2. _________________ This person started a newspaper called "The North Star."

3. _________________ This person refused to give up a seat on the bus. That led to a 382-day bus boycott by black people in Montgomery, Alabama.

4. _________________ When this person was just a few weeks old, he and his mother were kidnapped. His mother was sold into slavery.

5. _________________ Because this person led so many slaves to freedom, he or she was sometimes called by the nickname Moses.

6. _________________ This person was a doctor who spent two years working with poor people in Africa before she went on to become famous.

7. _________________ One of 13 children, this person's birthname was Isabella Baumfree.

8. _________________ The president named this person to be the first African American to hold a seat on the Supreme Court, the highest court in the land.

9. _________________ In 1962, this person became the first black player inducted in the Baseball Hall of Fame.

10. _________________ In this person's performance at the 1936 Summer Olympic Games made him famous.

Answer Choices

- George Washington Carver
- Frederick Douglass
- Mae Jemison
- Thurgood Marshall
- Jesse Owens
- Rosa Parks
- Jackie Robinson
- Sojourner Truth
- Harriet Tubman
- Booker T. Washington

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