

How Well Do You Know Your Black History?

Here are **ANSWERS** to the 20 questions about Black History.

ANSWERS

1. How many years did Nelson Mandela serve in prison, before his release in 1990?
27
2. Who was the first African American woman to win an Oscar for best actress in a leading role?
Halle Berry; in 2002 for Monsters Ball at the 74th Oscar Academy Awards
3. Who is known as the “Father of Black History”?
Dr Carter Godwin Woodson (19th December 1875 - 3rd April 1950)
4. Between 1830 and 1860 the “Underground Railroad” was an organised escape system for runaway slaves. Name the woman who was highly instrumental in the success of the “underground railroad”.
Harriet Tubman
5. How many times was Muhammad Ali married?
Four; he has seven daughters and two sons. Daughters Miya and Kalilah were born to women to whom he was never married.
6. In which year was slavery abolished throughout the British Empire?
1833; through the Slavery Abolition Act
7. Whose famous quote / tagline does this belong to; “By any means necessary”.
Malcolm X
8. What was the name of the film in which Will Smith played a gay con man, pretending to be the son of Sidney Poitier?
Six Degrees of Separation; A 1993 film, inspired by the real life story of David Hampton.
9. The Black Panther Party was a revolutionary, black nationalist organisation, formed in the United States in 1966 by Richard Aoki, and which 2 other people?
Huey P Newton and Bobby Seale.
10. Founded in February 1909, the NAACP is one of the oldest and most influential civil rights organisations in the United States. What do the initials NAACP stand for?
The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
11. Born in Trinidad and Tobago, Trevor McDonald is notable for being the first black TV news anchor in the UK. In which month and year did he present his last ITV news bulletin?
15th December 2005.
12. What crop first created a demand for slave labor in the late 17th century America?
Tobacco
13. In which year did apartheid officially end in South Africa: 1971, 1981, 1991 or 2001?
1991
14. Martin Luther King received the Nobel Peace Prize, true or false?
True; he received this in 1964

15. Was Bessie Coleman the first black woman to obtain a license to practise nursing or fly a plane?
Fly a plane; she received her license in 1921.
16. What type of anaemia is a genetic disease commonly found among people of African descent?
Sickle Cell Anaemia; a condition in which red blood cells are unable to carry oxygen.
17. Who wrote and directed the films, "Do the right thing" and "Jungle Fever"?
Spike Lee; born Shelton Jackson Lee on 20th March 1957
18. Which African country was once an empire ruled by Haile Selassie?
Ethiopia
19. Does the name Zimbabwe mean "house of stone" or "river house"?
House of Stone; in the language of the Shona, the group of people that founded Zimbabwe.
20. The well known black publication, Ebony Magazine, was founded and first published by John H. Jackson, in which year?
1945