

# Black History

## SOJOURNER TRUTH



### COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

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INSTRUCTIONS: CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

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5. Who did Sojourner Truth receive recognition in her advocacy?
- A) Martin Luther King
  - B) Harriet Tubman
  - C) Abraham Lincoln
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In addition to her speeches and activism, Truth also worked as a recruiter for the Union army during the Civil War. She helped to recruit Black soldiers for the Union cause, and also worked as a nurse and spy for the army. After the war, she continued to advocate for the rights of Black people and women, and was even granted an audience with President Abraham Lincoln in 1864.

Truth's legacy continues to be celebrated today, as an icon of Black and women's rights. Her speeches, particularly "Ain't I a Woman?" remain widely read and studied, and she is remembered as a powerful and influential leader in the fight for equality and justice.

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

- In which century was Sojourner Truth born and lived?  
- A) 16th century  
- B) 17th century  
- C) 18th century  
- D) 19th century
- What role did Sojourner Truth play in the Union army during the Civil War?  
- A) Military strategist  
- B) Nurse and spy

## ANSWER QUESTIONS

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### THE CORRECT ANSWER

1. Truth escape from slavery and become a powerful speaker in 1826?

2. Sojourner Truth's famous speech given at a women's rights

3. Sojourner Truth emphasize in her speech "Ain't I a woman's rights

- C) Challenging the exclusion of Black women in the women's rights movement
- D) Promoting class-based feminism

4. During which historical period did Sojourner Truth work as a recruiter for the Union army and advocate for the rights of Black people and women?

- A) American Revolution
- B) Civil War
- C) Reconstruction Era
- D) Progressive Era

5. Who did Sojourner Truth meet with in 1864, showcasing her influence and recognition in her advocacy work?

- A) Martin Luther King Jr.
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## ANSWERS

- When did Sojourner Truth escape from slavery and become a powerful speaker?  
- Answer: B) 1826
- What is the title of Sojourner Truth's famous speech given at a women's rights convention in 1851?  
- Answer: C) "Ain't I a Woman?"
- What important point did Sojourner Truth emphasize in her speech "Ain't I a Woman?"  
- Answer: C) Challenging the exclusion of Black women in the women's rights movement
- During which historical period did Sojourner Truth work as a recruiter for the Union army and advocate for the rights of Black people and women?  
- Answer: B) Civil War
- Who did Sojourner Truth meet with in 1864, showcasing her influence and recognition in her advocacy work?  
- Answer: C) Abraham Lincoln
- In which century was Sojourner Truth born and lived?  
- Answer: C) 18th century
- What role did Sojourner Truth play in the Union army during the Civil War?  
- Answer: B) Nurse and spy
- What significant achievement did Sojourner Truth have in her advocacy work?  
- Answer: C) Recruiting Black soldiers for the Union army
- Why is Sojourner Truth remembered as an icon today?  
- Answer: C) As a powerful advocate for Black and women's rights

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## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

6. In which century was Sojourner Truth born and lived?  
- A) 16th century

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- A) 1750  
- B) 1826  
- C) 1851  
- D) 1864
2. What is the title of Sojourner Truth's famous speech given at a women's rights convention in 1851?  
- A) "Freedom Cry"  
- B) "Equality Now"  
- C) "Ain't I a Woman?"  
- D) "Liberty's Challenge"
3. What important point did Sojourner Truth emphasize in her speech "Ain't I a Woman?"  
- A) Advocating for men's rights  
- B) Arguing for the exclusion of Black women from the women's rights movement  
- C) Challenging the exclusion of Black women from the women's rights movement  
- D) Working as a recruiter for the Union army and women?

Sojourner Truth play in the Union army during the Civil War?  
- A) Strategist  
- B) Spy  
- C) Recruiter-in-chief

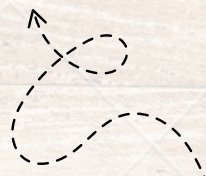
Sojourner Truth challenge in her famous speech, "Ain't I a Woman?"  
- A) The role of Black men from the women's rights movement  
- B) The role of class-based feminism  
- C) The role of Black women in the women's rights movement  
- D) The role of traditional gender roles

What significant achievement did Sojourner Truth have during the Civil War?  
- A) Serving as President's advisor  
- B) Recruiting a military general  
- C) Recruiting Black soldiers for the Union army  
- D) Leading diplomatic negotiations

Why is Sojourner Truth remembered as an icon today?  
- A) For her culinary skills  
- B) For her role in the American Revolution  
- C) For her role as a powerful advocate for Black and women's rights  
- D) For her contributions to science and technology

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7. What role did Sojourner Truth play in the Union army during the Civil War?  
- Answer: B) Nurse and spy
8. What role did Sojourner Truth challenge in her famous speech, "Ain't I a Woman?"  
- Answer: C) Discrimination against Black women in the women's rights movement
9. What significant achievement did Sojourner Truth have during the Civil War?  
- Answer: C) Recruiting Black soldiers for the Union army
10. Why is Sojourner Truth remembered as an icon today?  
- Answer: C) As a powerful advocate for Black and women's rights



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ANSWER KEY INCLUDED

# CLOSE READING GRAPHIC ORGANIZERS INCLUDED

**GROUP ACTIVITY**

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- ✓ Underline words or phrases you do not understand.
- ✓ Place a question mark next to words or phrases that make you think.
- ✓ Write an exclamation point next to something interesting.

**SUMMARIZE**

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