

Black History

IDA B. WELLS



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Wells began her career as a journalist in the late 1800s, writing for newspapers in Memphis, Tennessee. She used her platform to expose the injustices and violence faced by African Americans, particularly in the South. One of her most famous investigations was into the lynching of black men, which she documented and wrote about extensively.

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In addition to her activism in the United States, Wells also traveled internationally, giving speeches and raising awareness about the struggles of African Americans. She is remembered as a pioneering figure in the Civil Rights Movement and continues to be an inspiration for activists working towards social justice and equality. Despite being erased from history, her legacy lives on through her writings, speeches and the organizations she helped to create.

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6. In which state did Ida B. Wells begin her career as a journalist, writing for newspapers?
- A) New York
- B) Mississippi
- C) Tennessee
- D) Kentucky
7. What organization did Ida B. Wells co-found, emphasizing the advancement of African American women's causes?

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- A) Animal rights
- B) Environmental conservation
- C) Women's rights
- D) LGBTQ+ rights
5. How did Ida B. Wells contribute to the struggle for social justice internationally?
- A) Through diplomatic missions
- B) By leading military campaigns
- C) Writing extensively about global issues
- D) Giving speeches and raising awareness about the struggles of African Americans

READING COMPREHENSION

ANSWERS

1. Where was Ida B. Wells born, and what was her status at birth?
- Answer: B) Mississippi, born into slavery
2. In which field did Ida B. Wells make significant contributions?
- Answer: B) Journalism
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- Answer: B) National Association of Colored Women's Clubs
8. What form of injustice did Ida B. Wells particularly focus on in her journalism?
- Answer: C) Lynching of black men
9. Despite facing significant obstacles and discrimination, how did Ida B. Wells become one of the most influential activists of her time?
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- Where was Ida B. Wells born, and what was her status at birth?
 - A) New York, freeborn
 - B) Mississippi, born into slavery
 - C) Tennessee, orphaned
 - D) Kentucky, adopted
- In which field did Ida B. Wells make significant contributions during the late 1800s?
 - A) Medicine
 - B) Journalism
 - C) Engineering
 - D) Law
- What issue did Ida B. Wells extensively investigate and write about during her journalistic career?
 - A) Environmental concerns
 - B) Economic inequality
 - C) Lynching
 - D) Gender and racial prejudice

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 Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)
 Urban League
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 Gender and racial prejudice
 National background
 Social affiliations
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 Through speeches erected in her honor
 Having a national holiday named after her
 Through her writings, speeches, and the organizations she helped create
 By having her face on currency notes

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ANNOTATING MARKS

- ✓ Circle powerful words or phrases.
- ✓ Underline words or phrases you do not understand.
- ✓ Place a question mark next to something you don't understand.
- ✓ Write an exclamation mark next to something you find interesting.

SUMMARIZE

Write a summary of the passage. The main idea should be stated in your first sentence. Then use the four details to write four supporting sentences. Close your summary by restating the main idea.

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MAIN IDEA

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SUPPORTING DETAILS #1 _____

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