

# AAPI Heritage Month

# VERA WANG

## READING COMPREHENSION

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**WEDDING DESIGNER**

### VERA WANG

Vera Wang was born on June 27, 1949, in New York City. Growing up in a privileged household, Wang was exposed to the world of fashion from an early age. Her parents, both of Chinese descent, wanted to her to follow a traditional path and become a doctor. Despite her parents' expectations for her to pursue a career in medicine, Wang followed her passion for fashion by attending Parsons School of Design for fashion design.

**EDUCATION**

For traditional Chinese, Wang attended art school. After graduation, she worked as a junior fashion designer at the fashion house of the fashion designer Wang Wang. Wang then moved to New York City to attend Parsons School of Design, where she studied art history. After graduation, she worked as a junior fashion designer at the fashion house of the fashion designer Wang Wang.

**WEDDING FASHION**

Wang worked as a fashion designer for the 1980s when she created the wedding dress. Her wedding dress, the "Vera Wang" dress, was a simple, elegant, and classic design. Wang's wedding dress was a simple, elegant, and classic design. Wang's wedding dress was a simple, elegant, and classic design.

**HER OWN BRAND**

Wang took a break from fashion design to work in the fashion industry. She worked as a fashion designer for the fashion house of the fashion designer Wang Wang. Wang then started her own brand, Vera Wang, in 1990. Wang's brand, Vera Wang, is a leading brand in the fashion industry.

**WANG**

**NEWS**

**History?**

**begin her career?**

**READING COMPREHENSION MCQ'S QUESTIONS ANSWER KEY**

## READING PASSAGES WITH TEXT DEPENDENT QUESTIONS

### VERA WANG

Vera Wang was born on June 27, 1949, in New York City, USA. Growing up in a privileged household, Wang was exposed to the world of fashion from an early age. Her parents, both of Chinese descent, instilled in her a strong work ethic and a passion for creativity. Despite her family's expectations for her to pursue a career in figure skating, Wang's love for fashion led her down a different path.



#### EDUCATION

Wang attended Sarah Lawrence College, where she studied art history. After graduation, she briefly pursued a career as a professional figure skater before transitioning into the fashion industry. Wang's background in art and her keen eye for design laid the foundation for her future success as a fashion designer.

#### ENTRY INTO FASHION

Vera Wang's career in fashion began in the 1970s when she joined Vogue magazine as a senior fashion editor. During her time at Vogue, Wang honed her skills in styling and design, working closely with renowned photographers and designers. Her experiences at Vogue provided invaluable insights into the fashion world and prepared her for her future endeavors as a designer.

#### LAUNCHING HER BRAND

In 1990, Vera Wang took a bold step and launched her eponymous fashion label, initially focusing on bridal wear. Her innovative designs, blending traditional elegance with modern sophistication, quickly gained popularity among brides-to-be. Wang's attention to detail and commitment to quality set her bridal collections apart, earning her a reputation as one of the leading bridal designers globally. This pivotal moment marked the beginning of Wang's journey to establish herself as a formidable force in the fashion industry.

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#### ICONIC BRIDAL DESIGNS

Vera Wang revolutionized the bridal industry with her iconic designs, synonymous with luxury and elegance. Her creations have become sought after by brides worldwide, known for their exquisite craftsmanship and timeless beauty. Wang's bridal gowns redefine traditional notions of wedding attire, setting new standards for sophistication and style.



#### EXPANDING INTO FASHION EMPIRE

Beyond bridal wear, Vera Wang expanded her brand to encompass ready-to-wear clothing, accessories, fragrances, and home goods. This diversification solidified her position as a formidable force in the fashion industry, offering her signature style to a wider audience. Wang's empire reflects her versatility and innovation, captivating fashion enthusiasts across various lifestyle categories.

#### CELEBRITY CLIENTS

Vera Wang's designs have adorned numerous celebrities and public figures, solidifying her status as a go-to designer for red carpet events and high-profile weddings. Her creations have graced the pages of fashion magazines and garnered acclaim for their exquisite craftsmanship and timeless allure.

#### LEGACY

Vera Wang's legacy extends far beyond her contributions to the fashion world. As a trailblazing designer and entrepreneur, she has shattered stereotypes and defied expectations, paving the way for women in the male-dominated fashion industry. Wang's unwavering dedication to her craft, coupled with her fearless approach to design, continues to inspire aspiring designers and fashion enthusiasts around the globe. Her impact on the fashion landscape and her lasting influence on bridal couture ensure that her legacy will endure for generations to come.

READING COMPREHENSION

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# VERA WANG

DIRECTIONS: CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. When was Vera Wang born?  
a) June 27, 1929  
b) July 8, 1965  
c) June 27, 1949  
d) May 12, 1955
2. Where did Vera Wang study art history?  
a) Parsons School of Design  
b) New York University  
c) Sarah Lawrence College  
d) Fashion Institute of Technology
3. In which industry did Vera Wang begin her career?  
a) Fashion  
b) Interior design  
c) Music  
d) Film
4. When did Vera Wang launch her eponymous fashion label?  
a) 1985  
b) 1990  
c) 1995  
d) 2000
5. What was Vera Wang's initial focus when launching her brand?  
a) Ready-to-wear clothing  
b) Fragrances  
c) Bridal wear  
d) Accessories

## SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. When was Vera Wang born?
2. Where did Vera Wang study art history?
3. What industry did Vera Wang begin her career in?
4. When did Vera Wang launch her brand?
5. What is one aspect of Vera Wang's design style?

## 5. What is one achievement mentioned regarding Vera Wang?

- a) Working on Oscar Poon Book Jacket
- b) Revitalizing the bridal industry
- c) Becoming a professional figure skater
- d) Publishing a bestselling novel

## 6. How did Vera Wang expand her brand?

- a) By opening a chain of restaurants
- b) By launching a line of luxury cars
- c) By introducing ready-to-wear clothing, fragrances, and home goods
- d) By becoming a television personality

## 7. What is one aspect of Vera Wang's design style?

- a) Her career as an actress
- b) Her contributions to environmental causes
- c) Her influence on bridal customs
- d) Her achievements in the music industry

## 8. Which industry did Vera Wang initially transition into?

- a) Law
- b) Medicine
- c) Professional figure skating
- d) Engineering

## 9. What sets Vera Wang's bridal designs apart?

- a) Their affordability
- b) Their simplicity
- c) Their use of lace and crystals
- d) Their focus on modern trends

# ANSWER KEY

MCQ

1. c) June 27, 1949
2. c) Sarah Lawrence College
3. a) Fashion
4. b) 1990
5. c) Bridal wear
6. c) By introducing the bridal industry ready-to-wear clothing, accessories, fragrances, and home goods.
7. c) Her influence on bridal customs
8. c) Professional figure skating
9. c) Their luxury and elegance

## SHORT-ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Vera Wang was born on June 27, 1949.
2. Vera Wang studied art history at Sarah Lawrence College.
3. Vera Wang began her career in the fashion industry.
4. Vera Wang launched her eponymous fashion label in 1990.
5. One aspect of Vera Wang's design mentioned in the passage is her influence on bridal customs.

10 - MCQ'S & 5 QUESTIONS

ANSWER KEY INCLUDED

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