



Women History Month

SONIA SOTOMAYOR

Reading Comprehension

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

6. When was Sonia Sotomayor appointed to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York?

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

DIRECTIONS: CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. When was Sonia Sotomayor born?

- a) June 26, 1954
- b) June 25, 1954
- c) June 25, 1974
- d) June 25, 1984

2. Where was Sonia Sotomayor born?

- a) Manhattan, New York
- b) Brooklyn, New York
- c) The Bronx, New York
- d) Queens, New York

3. Where did Sonia Sotomayor attend college?

- a) Harvard University
- b) Yale Law School
- c) Princeton University
- d) Columbia University

4. In which year did Sonia Sotomayor graduate from Princeton University?

- a) 1970
- b) 1976
- c) 1980
- d) 1986

5. What position did Sonia Sotomayor hold at the Supreme Court?

- a) Private practice
- b) U.S. Supreme Court Justice
- c) Assistant district attorney
- d) Professor at Princeton

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learning about Sonia's significance of diversity

As we honor Women's History Month, let us embrace their vision and consider the potential for positive change through careers in law and public service.

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learning about Sonia Sotomayor provides a glimpse into the legal system, the significance of diversity in the judiciary, and the importance of perseverance.

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- When was Sonia Sotomayor appointed to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York?
 - 1990
 - 1992
 - 2000
 - 2005
- Who nominated Sonia Sotomayor to the Supreme Court?
 - George W. Bush

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THE CORRECT ANSWER

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ANSWERS

1. b) June 25, 1954
2. a) The Bronx, New York
3. c) Princeton University
4. b) 1992
5. c) Assistant district attorney in New York
6. b) 1992
7. c) Barack Obama
8. b) 2009
9. c) Civil rights, affirmative action, and criminal justice
10. c) Pragmatic and inclusive

READING COMPREHENSION

CLOSE READING GRAPHIC ORGNIZERS INCLUDED


GROUP ACTIVITY

TITLE OF TEXT _____

WHAT I THINK _____

ANNOTATING MARKS

- ✓ Circle powerful words or phrases.
- ✓ Underline words or phrases you do not understand.
- ✓ Place a question mark next to words or phrases you do not understand.
- ✓ Write an explanation of words or phrases you do not understand.



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.

NAME: _____

MAIN IDEA

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TITLE OF TEXT _____

MAIN IDEA _____

SUPPORTING DETAILS #1 _____

SUPPORTING DETAILS #2 _____

SUPPORTING DETAILS #3 _____

VOCABULARY GRAPHIC ORGNIZER

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