



Women History Month

MARGARET MEAD



Reading Comprehension

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

DIRECTIONS: CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. Where was Margaret Mead born?
a) New York City
b) Philadelphia
c) Samoa
d) London

2. In which decade did Mead conduct her research?
a) 1900s
b) 1920s
c) 1930s
d) 1940s

3. What influential book did Mead write?
a) Cultural Diversity and Human Behavior
b) Exploring Anthropology
c) Coming of Age in Samoa
d) The Western Nation

4. Margaret Mead's work focused on:
a) Globalization
b) Cultural isolation
c) University of certain cultures
d) Scientific determinism

5. What did Margaret Mead study?
a) Ethnobiology
b) Political systems
c) Diversity of human cultures
d) Astrophysics

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

6. In addition to her scholarly work, Margaret Mead was known for being a(n):
a) Professional athlete
b) Author

Mead challenged Western notions about gender behavior?

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Margaret Mead's early interest in anthropology led her to Samoa in the 1920s, where she conducted groundbreaking research on adolescence and cultural influences on behavior. Her findings, notably presented in the influential book "Coming of Age in Samoa," challenged prevailing Western notions of the universality of certain behaviors and norms.

Throughout her career, Mead continued to explore the intersections of culture, environment, and society. Her research emphasized the diversity of human experiences and focused on the fluidity of gender roles and the influence of cultural factors on individual development. Mead's work laid the foundation for a more nuanced understanding of human societies and the impact of cultural practices on shaping human behavior.

Beyond her scholarly contributions, Margaret Mead was a prominent public intellectual and advocate for social issues. Her engaging writing and public lectures made anthropology accessible to a broader audience, fostering a greater appreciation for cultural diversity.

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Learning about Margaret Mead provides an introduction to the field of anthropology, encouraging discussions about cultural diversity, the importance of perspective in understanding societies, and the role of women in academic disciplines.

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

6. In addition to her scholarly work, Margaret Mead was known for being a:
 - a) Professional athlete
 - b) Visual artist
 - c) Public intellectual
 - d) Military strategist

7. Which book by Margaret Mead challenged Western notions about gender roles and cultural influences on behavior?
 - a) Society and Civilization

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E THE CORRECT ANSWER.

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2. What did Margaret Mead write based on her research in Samoa? _____
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ANSWERS

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2. b) 1920s
3. c) Coming of Age in Samoa
4. d) Universality of certain behaviors
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9. d) Social issues
10. a) Cross-cultural understanding

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READING COMPREHENSION

CLOSE READING GRAPHIC ORGANIZERS 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 that make you curious.
- Write an exclamation mark next to words or phrases that make you excited.

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

SUPPORTING DETAILS #2

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