



Women History Month

WHOOPY GOLDBERD

Reading Comprehension



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

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DIRECTIONS: CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. When was Whoopi Gold-

- a) October 13, 1952
- b) November 13, 1955
- c) November 13, 1960
- d) November 13, 1965

2. What was the inspira-

- a) Childhood nickname
- b) Favorite animal
- c) Whoopie cushion
- d) Favorite color

3. In which Steven Spielberg movie did Whoopi

- a) ET, the Extra-Terri-
- b) Raiders of the Lost
- c) The Color Purple
- d) Jurassic Park

4. What award did Who-

- a) Emmy Award
- b) Grammy Award
- c) Academy Award
- d) Tony Award

5. In which film did Who-

- a) Ghost
- b) Sister Act
- c) The Color Purple
- d) The View

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

6. What daytime talk show did Whoopi Goldberg become a co-host of?

a) Ellen DeGeneres Show

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WHOOPI GOLDBERG



As we continue to celebrate Women's History Month, we shine a spotlight on Whoopi Goldberg, a trailblazing entertainer whose versatility has made her a beloved figure in the realms of film, television, and comedy. Born Caryn Elaine Johnson on November 13, 1955, in New York City, Whoopi Goldberg has become a cultural icon known for her talent, wit, and advocacy.

Whoopi's early years were marked by a passion for performing. She adopted the stage name "Whoopi" from a whoopee cushion, a nod to her comedic flair. She gained recognition in the 1980s for her one-woman Broadway show, which later became a filmed production, earning her a Grammy Award for Best Comedy Album.

In 1985, Whoopi Goldberg's breakthrough came with her role in Steven Spielberg's film "The Color Purple," earning her an Academy Award nomination for Best Actress. This was a historic moment, as she became only the second African American woman to receive an Oscar nomination in that category.

Goldberg's career continued to soar with iconic roles in films such as "Ghost" (1990), for which she won the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress, and "Sister Act" (1992). Beyond acting, she has ventured into hosting, notably becoming a co-host on the daytime talk show "The View," where her candid and insightful commentary has contributed to the show's success.

Whoopi Goldberg's influence extends beyond entertainment. She has been an advocate for various social issues, including LGBTQ+ rights, AIDS awareness, and human rights. Her ability to bring humor and authenticity to serious conversations has made her a respected voice in both entertainment and activism.

learning about Whoopi Goldberg introduces them to the world of entertainment, the power of humor, and the significance of individuals who break barriers in the industry.

As we honor Women's History Month, Whoopi Goldberg's journey encourages to embrace their unique talents, appreciate the richness of diversity in the arts, and recognize the role of entertainers as cultural influencers.

4. What award did Whoopi Goldberg win for her one-woman Broadway show?

- a) Emmy Award
- b) Grammy Award
- c) Academy Award
- d) Tony Award

5. In which film did Whoopi Goldberg win the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress?

- a) Ghost
- b) Sister Act
- c) The Color Purple
- d) The View

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6. What daytime talk show did Whoopi Goldberg become a co-host of?

- a) Ellen DeGeneres Show
- b) The Oprah Winfrey Show
- c) The View
- d) Jimmy Kimmel Live!

7. What social issues has Whoopi Goldberg advocated for?

- a) Environmental conservation
- b) Gun control

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- 1. b) November 13, 1955
- 2. x) Whoopi Goldberg
- 3. c) The Color Purple
- 4. a) The Color Purple
- 5. a) Grammy Award
- 6. a) The View
- 7. c) LGBTQ+ rights, AIDS awareness, and human rights
- 8. d) Hosting
- 9. a) The second African American woman to receive an Oscar nomination in that category
- 10. b) The role of entertainers as cultural influencers

READING COMPREHENSION

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ANNOTATING MARKS

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- 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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