

AFRICAN AMERICAN FIRSTS (CORRECT ANSWERS HAVE AN *)

1. The very first Black child born in the American colonies & when?
William Tucker in 1621
2. Who was the Black Surgeon that performed the first open heart surgery – when & where
 - a) Dr. Ben Carson
 - b) Dr. Daniel Hale Williams, An American general surgeon, who in 1893 became the first African American to perform the first documented, successful heart surgery at Provident hospital in Chicago, IL *
 - c) Dr. Mae Jemison
3. Who was the first African American female to become a licensed pilot?
 - a) Madame C. J. Walker
 - b) Dr. Clara Mae Walker
 - c) Bessie Coleman *
4. Who called all the Negro Baseball teams together in 1920 to form the Negro National Baseball League & when?
 - a) “Cannonball” Dick Redding
 - b) Andrew “Rube” Foster (in February 1920) *
 - c) Jackie Robinson
5. Who was the first Black man to become a general in the U. S. Army?
 - a) Colin Powell
 - b) Henry Flipper
 - c) Benjamin Oliver Davis, Sr. *
 - d) Benjamin Davis, Jr.
6. Who was the first Black woman to become a millionaire in the United States
 - a) Oprah Winfrey
 - b) Madame C. J. Walker *
 - c) Maya Angelou
7. Who was elected the first Black Governor of Louisiana and when?
 - a) Andrew Young in 1981
 - b) P. B. S. Pinchback – December 9, 1872 – January 13, 1873*
 - c) Oscar James Dunn (He was acting prior to Pinchback)
8. Who was the first Black elected to the Illinois General Assembly and when
 - a) Cecil Armillo Partee – 1921 - 1994
 - b) Kimberly Lightfoot
 - c) John W. E. Thomas in 1876 *
9. A Black fur trapper established the first permanent settlement which is now know as Chicago. He has been given credit for establishing Chicago, IL. Who is he?
 - a) Frank Robinson
 - b) Jean Baptiste Point Du Sable *
 - c) Charles Slifford
10. Who was the first African American to publish a book of poetry and when?
 - a) Maya Angelou
 - b) Frederick Douglas
 - c) Phyllis Wheatley*
 - d) Nikki Giovanni