BLACK HISTORY HEROES

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Malcolm X

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Malcolm's parents Louise and Earl Little

When Malcolm was six, his father died. It might have been an accident. But some think he was murdered. Malcolm's mother became sick. She had to live the rest of her life in a hospital. Her eight children were sent to live in foster homes. It was a hard start to life for Malcolm.

Malcolm was smart and wa
liked. But he had struggles. At
was kicked out of school
grades at a different s
classmates even a
president. But
15. He move
Boston. Th

Malcolm in 1964

Name: _____ Date: _____

Malcolm X

Summarize how Malcolm X was a leader in the civil rights movement. Explain wh
is important to learn about him.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Prereading

Read this quote from Harriet Tubman. Write what you believe this quote means. After reading about Tubman's life and discussing this quote with your class, add to your response.

"I freed a thousand slaves. I could have freed a thousand more if only they knew they were slaves."



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Slavery in America ended in 1863. Many people thank Abraham Lincoln for that. After all, he set the slaves free. But Frederick Douglass played a key role as well. He urged Lincoln to end slavery. Douglass had been a slave. He became a famous author and orator, writing and speaking against slavery.

Frederick Douglass was born a slave. He lived in Maryland. He worked inside his owner's house. Many slaves could not read or write, but Douglass learned how. He read everything he could. He even taught other slaves to read. Some slave owners disliked this. They showed with clubs to end the lessons.



Frederick Douglass in the 1830s



was Douglass' wife 44 years.

Douglass wanted fr... times. A ... wanted fr... gave up ... was wro... neighbor... to hurt ... Tw... On his ... free wo... Douglas... Douglas... was in... had fi...

Frederick Douglass

Answer the following questions. Underline the text evidence in the color indicated. If there is not a color to the question, you will need to infer the answer. You should still look for text evidence to help you infer.

1. Why is Frederick Douglass famous?
   a. He granted women the right to vote
   b. He beat a slave owner and led many slaves to freedom
   c. He gave President Lincoln advice on how to win the Civil War
   d. He escaped slavery & then wrote and spoke about his life

2. Which detail from the text best supports the idea that life as a slave was hard for Douglass?
   a. He learned to read and write
   b. He was separated from his family
   c. He was beaten many times
   d. He traveled from Maryland to New York

3. Which part of the text is most helpful in understanding the meaning of the word orator?
   a. former slave
   b. famous author
   c. writing
   d. speaking

4. Read the following excerpt from the text.
   It became a best-seller, so he had to move to Europe...
   What is the relationship between ideas in this sentence?
   a. compare and contrast
   b. cause and effect
   c. problem and solution
   d. sequence