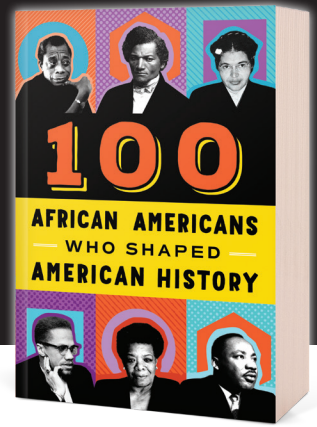


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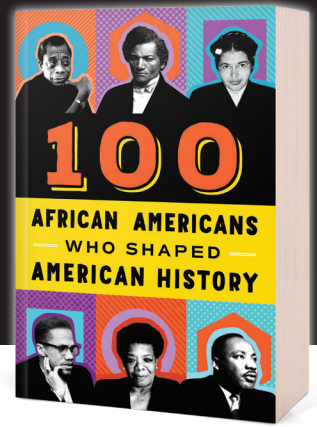
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## BIOGRAPHY PROJECT

Have your students pick one trailblazer from the book that they're interested in. Then, have students answer these questions:

1. What is this trailblazer's name?
2. When were they born?
3. Where did they grow up?
4. What are they known for?
5. How have their accomplishments shaped history?
6. Why should other people learn about this trailblazer?
7. Draw them!

Student answers for questions 4, 5, and 6 should be at least one complete sentence. Students can present their trailblazer to the class or in small groups.

## MAKING CONNECTIONS

Many of the trailblazers in this book lived during the same time as another trailblazer. Have your students find at least two trailblazers who knew each other and write about how they interacted. Students should write at least one complete sentence.

**Ex.** W. E. B. Du Bois and Roy Wilkins knew each other because they both worked at *Crisis* magazine in the early 1930s.

## RESEARCH TIME

Each trailblazer in this book gets one page. Have your students pick a trailblazer (this can be the same person they chose for the biography project) and research three more facts about that person that were NOT included in the book.

**Ex.** Fannie Lou Hamer

1. Fannie Lou Hamer ran for the Mississippi House of Representatives but was not allowed on the ballot.
2. Fannie Lou Hamer was disabled due to childhood polio.
3. Fannie Lou Hamer's favorite song was "This Little Light of Mine."