FIRSTS IN BLACK HISTORY

This Black History Month, we celebrate the firsts who paved the way for those who came behind them. Can you match each Rebel's accomplishment to the correct year?

BESSIE COLEMAN

became the first Black woman and first Native American to earn a pilot's license

SHIRLEY CHISHOLM

became the first Black woman to be elected to the United States Congress

BARBARA HILLARY

at the age of 75, became the first Black woman to reach the North Pole (and then the South Pole four years later!)

KETANJI BROWN JACKSON

the first Black woman to serve on the Supreme Court

ROSA PARKS

refused to give up her bus seat, sparking the Montgomery bus strike

RUTH E CARTER

the first Black person to win an Oscar for Best Costume Design (for Black Panther!)

1919 | 1921 | 1927 | 1955 | 1968 | 1987 | 2007 | 2012 | 2015 | 2018 | 2022

MAE JEMISON

the first Black woman to travel into space

JOSEPHINE BAKER

the first Black woman to star in a major motion picture

MADAM CJ WALKER

first female self-made millionaire in America

MISTY COPELAND

first Black woman to be the principal dancer of the American Ballet Theatre

SERENA WILLIAMS

the first tennis player to win a Golden Slam: winning at the Olympics, Wimbledon and the Australian, French and US Opens all in one year.

Answer key: Bessie Coleman 1921, Shirley Chisholm 1968, Barbara Hillary 2007, Ketanji Brown Jackson 2022, Rosa Parks 1955, Ruth E Carter 2018, Mae Jemison 1987, Josephine Baker 1927, Madam CJ Walker 1919, Misty Copeland 2015, Serena Williams 2012