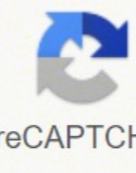


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Her Story: Sojourner Truth

Name: _____

Sojourner Truth was born into slavery in New York around 1797. Her birth name was Isabella Baumfree. She changed it to Sojourner Truth in 1843. She suffered under several owners before she finally escaped to freedom in 1825. She became a widely admired abolitionist and feminist. Below is a passage from her autobiography from 1875.



Sojourner Truth about 1870

Narrative of Sojourner Truth

Dictated by Sojourner Truth • Written and edited by Olive Gilbert

Commencement of Isabella's Trials in Life

Having seen the sad end of her parents, so far as it relates to this earthly life, we will return with Isabella to that memorable auction which threatened to separate her father and mother. A slave auction is a terrible affair to its victims, and its incidents and consequences are graven on their hearts as with a pen of burning steel.

At this memorable time, Isabella was struck off, for the sum of one hundred dollars, to one John Nealy, of Ulster County, New York; and she has an impression that in this sale she was connected with a lot of sheep. She was some years of age, and her trials in life may be dated from this period. She says, with emphasis, "Now the war began." She could only talk Dutch and the Nealys could only talk English. Mr. Nealy could understand Dutch, but Isabella and her mistress could neither of them understand the language of the other and this, of itself, was a formidable obstacle in the way of a good understanding between them, and for some time was a fruitful source of dissatisfaction to the mistress, and of punishment and suffering to Isabella. She says, "If they sent me for a frying pan, not knowing what they meant, perhaps I carried them pot-hooks and trammels. Then, oh! how angry mistress would be with me!" Then she suffered "terribly-terribly," with the cold. During the winter her feet were badly frozen, for want of proper covering. They gave her a plenty to eat, and also a plenty of whippings. One Sunday morning, in particular, she was told to go to the barn; on going there, she found her master with a bundle of rods, prepared in the embers, and bound together with cords. When he had tied her hands together before her, he gave her the most cruel whipping she was ever returned with. He whipped her till the flesh was deeply lacerated, and the blood streamed from her wounds and the scars remain to the present day, to testify to the fact. "And now," she says, "when I hear 'em tell of whipping women on the bare flesh, it makes my flesh crawl, and my very hair rise on my head! Oh! my God!" she continues, "what a way is this of treating human beings?"

1. What does it mean "Isabella was struck off"? _____
2. How old was Isabella when she was bought by John Nealy? _____
3. What was one cruel incident Isabella suffered? _____
4. Why did Isabella's feet freeze? _____

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AMERICAN CULTURE			AMERICAN CULTURE		
NAME:	CLASS:	DATE:	Correct Answers in Green		
1. What is American culture?	A. Customs, behavior, and way of life in the United States. B. Daring style of the U.S. C. The way of learning towards people in the U.S.	2. What is American culture?	A. Customs, behavior, and way of life in the United States. B. Daring style of the U.S. C. The way of learning towards people in the U.S.		
2. How do American people experience culture?	A. Through educational system and institutions of learning. B. Food, dining, recreation, and ceremonies. C. All of the above.	3. How do American people experience culture?	A. Through educational system and institutions of learning. B. Food, dining, recreation, and ceremonies. C. All of the above.		
3. American culture is rich, complex and unique.	A. True B. False	4. American culture is rich, complex and unique.	A. True B. False		
4. Peoples from Europe, Africa, Asia, and North America also contributed to American culture.	A. True B. False	5. Peoples from Europe, Africa, Asia, and North America also contributed to American culture.	A. True B. False		
5. The American culture is made up of many Native American culture.	A. True B. False	6. The American culture is made up of many Native American culture.	A. True B. False		
6. How acting, dancing and singing are ways by which American culture is been expressed.	A. True B. False	7. How acting, dancing and singing are ways by which American culture is been expressed.	A. True B. False		
7. In the American culture, fertilizers are used to more crowded living conditions.	A. True B. False	8. In the American culture, fertilizers are used to more crowded living conditions.	A. True B. False		
8. The cultural diversity of the United States was influenced by immigrants.	A. True B. False	9. The cultural diversity of the United States was influenced by immigrants.	A. True B. False		
9. American culture has influenced and impacted the culture of most countries.	A. True B. False	10. American culture has influenced and impacted the culture of most countries.	A. True B. False		
10. Native American culture dominates the culture of the United States.	A. True B. False	11. Native American culture dominates the culture of the United States.	A. True B. False		

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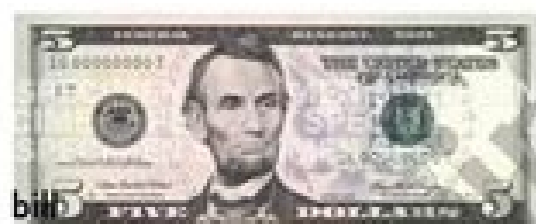


► On an American bill, there are many symbols like the number _____ which represents the number of the first _____.

► Faces of US Presidents also appear on coins and bills:



_____, who _____ the first American President, is on all _____ - dollar bills.



_____, who _____ the 16th President of the U.S.A. He is on the _____ - dollar bill.



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_____ is the 44th US President.

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