



Damon City Campus Integrated Learning Center
Black History Contest/WHO AM I?
Correctly identify these African American Greats.
Use the answer sheet provided.

(Submit answer sheet to the DCC Integrated Learning Center, Room 4258 by 4 PM Tuesday, February 28, 2006.)

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1. African American poet, playwright and author of first staged play by an African American.
2. First Black woman elected to Congress (1969).
3. First Black entertainer to host his own show on national television (1956).
4. First woman/African American psychologist to hold the position of director of the U.S. Peace Corps.
5. First Black artist in television history to star as a professional person in her own series.
6. First Black artist to paint an official presidential portrait—Bill Clinton's.
7. First self-made African American woman millionaire.
8. Directs nuclear chemistry research & development at the Dept. of Energy. Plans, manages, evaluates research/development on reactor materials and chemistry carried out in DOE national laboratories.
9. First Black to own billion dollar company. Opened TLC Group, a venture capital firm.
10. First Black woman to win a Tony Award for dramatic lead role of Lena Younger in *A Raisin in the Sun*.
11. Taught himself astronomy and advanced math; known as the first "African American Man of Science."
12. Baptist clergyman/civil rights activist born in Linden, Alabama. Confidante of Martin Luther King, Jr.
13. First Black major league baseball player; first black player elected to Baseball Hall of Fame.
14. Former slave; taught to read and write by the Wheatley family. First Black poet published in the U.S.
15. First Black woman to go into space aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavor on September 1, 1992.
16. Confirmed as the first female Secretary of State.
17. First artist ever to have seven consecutive singles hit number one.
18. First Black superstar of country music; first Black inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame (2002).
19. Labor leader/social activist who organized the March on Washington movement (1940).
20. First Black to receive a Pulitzer Prize in 1950.

21. First Black chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff and first Black Secretary of State.
22. First African American to win a Nobel Peace Prize.
23. First African American to earn a Ph.D. in mathematics (Cornell University).
24. First Black mayor of a major American city (Cleveland in 1967).
25. First African American to play in the US Open. She won the tournament in 1957 and 1958.
26. Composed first Broadway musical ever to be written and directed by an African American.
27. First African American to win an Oscar for best actor (*Lilies of the Fields*); he became a hero to both Black and White audiences.
28. Martin Luther King's special assistant who served the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and was the coordinator for the SCLC March on Washington (1963).