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AMERICAN HEROES

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YOU MIGHT HAVE LEARNED ABOUT...
He was a Baptist minister and key leader in the Civil Rights Movement, leading many non-violent protests to fight for equality for all races. He is also one of history's greatest public speakers, best known for his "I Have a Dream" speech.
She was arrested for refusing to give up her seat on the bus to a white person, leading to a movement that would end segregation in the United States. She is known as the "Mother of the Modern-Day Civil Rights Movement."
She escaped from slavery, then risked her life as a conductor in the Underground Railroad to help others. She made 19 trips to lead other enslaved people to freedom in the North. During the Civil War, she was a spy for the Union.
President Obama was the first African American president. During his two terms, some things he worked on were healthcare reform and foreign relationships. Meanwhile, First Lady Michelle Obama supported better education and nutrition in public schools.
BUT HAVE YOU HEARD OF...
Her cancerous cells were the source of the immortal HeLa cell line, which is used in medical research to help find treatments for many diseases. However, she and her family did not know that her cells were taken from her.
Before Rosa Parks, 15-year-old Colvin was also arrested for refusing to give up her seat on the bus. One year later, her lawyer filed a lawsuit, *Browder v. Gayle*, which ended segregation on public transportation in Montgomery, Alabama.
LEWIS HOWARD LATIMER

He was an inventor and scientist. He helped Alexander Graham Bell patent the telephone then became a member of Thomas Edison's research team, "The Edison Pioneers," where he improved the lightbulb and wrote a book on how it works.
MADAM C.J. WALKER

She was an entrepreneur who invented a line of African American hair care products and cosmetics, successfully becoming the first female self-made millionaire. As a social activist, she donated millions of dollars to racial justice and equality.
Jesse Owens was an American track and field athlete who won four gold medals at the 1936 Olympic Games, and set three world records and tied another, all in less than an hour, at the 1935 Big Ten track meet in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
Matthew Henson was an explorer who, along with Robert Peary and four Inuit people, traveled to the North Pole. Peary claimed to have reached it first and, because he was white, got the credit for the discovery, though it was likely Henson who was first to get there.
Bessie Coleman was an American pilot, and the first Black person to hold an international pilot license, given in 1921.
Lonnie G. Johnson is an American aerospace engineer, inventor, and entrepreneur, best known for inventing the Super Soaker.
Alice Coachman was an American athlete who specialized in high jump, and was the first Black woman from any country to win an Olympic gold medal.
Anna May Wong is considered the first Chinese-American movie star in Hollywood. Her career spanned silent film, sound film, television, stage, and radio.
She was born on May 31, 1912, and helped nuclear physics in many ways. One way was by confirming a theory about radioactive atoms. Wu's work helped science even in areas such as medicine, where she worked on sickle cell disease. She was the 7th woman to be elected to the National Academy of Sciences.
He was born in Guadalajara, Mexico on February 17, 1917. Camarena became an electrical engineer who invented color television. His invention was used in 1979 to take pictures of Jupiter during NASA's Voyager mission.
He was born on September 14, 1958. Herrington was the first Native American (Chickasaw Nation) naval aviator, astronaut, and engineer to go to outer space in 2002. He brought 6 eagle feathers with him on his space trip to remember his heritage.
She is a Cuban who was born in Guatemala. The 1992 Hurricane Andrew inspired her to study biology and climate change. Hammer became a climate scientist and activist who teaches Latinx communities about how climate change affects them.
For more information on any of these American Heroes...

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