



## **Study Guide**

**Southern University Ag Center and  
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**High School Black History Quiz Bowl Championship**

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## HS Set I

1. \*\*\*\*What was one similarity and one difference in the philosophies of Malcolm X and Dr. Martin Luther King? Both believed in the liberation of African Americans. King followed the path of nonviolent resistance while Malcolm believed in self-defense when attacked.
2. Raphael Warnock was elected to the U.S. Senate in 2020. Name one other African American currently in the U.S. Senate. Corey Booker, Tim Scott.
3. Who founded the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters in 1925? A. Phillip Randolph
4. \*\*\*\*Name two African American quarterbacks who have won Super Bowl rings. Patrick Mahomes, Russell Wilson, Doug Williams
5. In 1955 this lady refused to give up her seat to whites on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama. Rosa Parks
6. Rosa Parks had this youth in mind when she refused to give up her seat and started the Montgomery Bus Boycott. Name the 14-year-old youth from Chicago who was brutally murdered in Money, Mississippi in 1955. Emmett Till
7. \*\*\*In 1965, a civil rights march began in one Alabama city and ended in another. Name the two cities. Selma, Montgomery
8. This civil rights leader participated in the Selma to Montgomery March. He was a member of the House of Representatives before he died in 2020. John Lewis
9. John Lewis was also one of the speakers at the March on Washington. In what year did that occur and who was the main speaker there? 1963, Dr. King
10. What was the title of Dr. King's famous speech? "I Have A Dream".
11. \*\*\*What is the first and last day of Kwanzaa each year? December 26, January 1.
12. Nia (Purpose) and Ujamaa (Cooperative economics) are two of the seven principles of Kwanzaa. Umoja is another principle. What does Umoja mean? Unity
13. \*\*\*Name two men who either carried out a slave revolt in the U.S. or planned to do so. Nat Turner, Denmark Vesey, Gabriel Prosser
14. Describe the underground railroad. Secret passageways that enslaved people used to escape slavery?
15. \*\*Who was the most famous conductor of the Underground Railroad, and what biblical nickname was she given? Harriet Tubman; Moses of her people
16. What was the significance of the 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment? Outlawed slavery
17. According to the 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment when is slavery still allowed? Punishment of a crime
18. Alvin Batiste was the founder of what Southern University Institute? Jazz Institute
19. \*\*Who is the only African American in the U.S. Congress from Louisiana and who did he replace? Troy Carter, Cedric Richmond

1. Who were abolitionists? Persons who wanted to do away with slavery.
2. \*\*\*What was the name of the abolitionist newspaper founded by Frederick Douglass and what was the significance of that name? “The North Star”; the North Star helped runaways to find their way to the north by guiding them northward
3. This legendary NBA star attended the Kobe Bryant memorial and held the record for most, points scored in an NBA career before it was broken. Who is he and who broke his record? Kareem Abdul Jabbar’ LeBron James
4. \*\*\*In what year did the Baton Rouge Bus Boycott take place and who was its leader? 1953, Reverend T. J. Jemison
5. \*\*\*Name the two African American coaches with Super Bowl rings. Tony Dungy, Mike Tomlin
6. \*\*\*She is the first self-made woman millionaire. By what other name was Sarah Breedlove known and how did she acquire her wealth? Madam C.J. Walker; Manufacturing and selling hair products for African American women
7. Who was the first African American who was allowed to play major league baseball? Jackie Robinson
8. \*\*\*\*Who portrayed the Black Panther in the movie and name another historic African American also portrayed by this actor? Chadwick Boseman, Jackie Robinson. Thurgood Marshall, James Brown
9. Ryan Coogler was the director of the movie “Black Panther”. What recently happened to him at a bank? He was mistaken for a bank robber and placed in handcuffs.
10. \*Who is Folasade Adu and where was she born? Sade, Nigeria
11. Name the outstanding female pitcher who played in the mostly male Negro Baseball League. Mamie Johnson
12. \*\*Who wrote “Red Summer” and what was the about? Ida B Wells, lynching
13. \*\*\*Name two community programs initiated by the Black Panther Party. Free breakfast program, free medical treatment, free clothing, monitoring police
14. Jason Reynolds is a young author who has written several books about young African American boys. Name one of his books. *A Tale Told in Ten Blocks*, *All American Boys*, and *Long Way Down*
15. The Ancient Egyptian has been called the true” father of medicine”. Imhotep
16. Imhotep was also an architect and has been credited with designing what type of buildings? Pyramids
17. \*\*\*Give the full name of the NAACP and the year in which it was founded. National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 1909
18. He was a founding member of the NAACP. W.E.B. Dubois

19. What is the most well-known book that was written by DuBois? “The Souls of Black Folks”
20. W.E.B. Dubois and his wife Shirley are both buried in what African country? Ghana

### HS3

1. What is an HBCU? Historically Black College and University
2. \*\*\*Name two HBCUs in New Orleans. Dillard, Xavier, Southern University
3. During Black History Month in 2022, several HBCUs received what type of threats? Bomb threats.
4. What was Ralph Ellison's classic novel? "Invisible Man"
5. Who founded the Odell S. Williams Now and Then African American Museum in Baton Rouge? Sadie Roberts Joseph
6. Sadie Roberts Joseph encouraged us to celebrate what holiday? Juneteenth
7. What is the significance of the date May 19 and February 21? Birthday of Malcolm X; Date Malcolm was assassinated.
8. \*\*\*\*Who delivered the eulogy at the funeral of Malcolm X and how did he describe Malcolm X in that eulogy? Ossie Davis, "Our Black Shining Prince"
9. What city in California closes school on May 19 in honor of Malcolm X's birthday? Berkeley
10. What African American woman directed the film "Selma"? Ava Duvernay
11. Ava Duvernay also created and directed a television series about an African American family who owned a sugar cane plantation. Name the series *Queen Sugar*
12. \*\*\*Give two inventions made by Garrett Morgan. Traffic light, gas mask
13. In 2022, this African American singer performed at the Super Bowl Halftime Show. Mary J. Blige
14. Mary J. Blige received an Academy Award nomination for her role in what movie? "Mudbound"
15. Give the full name of the civil rights organization CORE. Congress of Racial Equality
16. \*\*\*\*Give two types of civil rights activity in which CORE participated. Sit-ins, freedom rides, voter registration
17. \*\*\* Who is the current mayor of Baton Rouge? Sharon Weston Brome
18. Who is the current mayor of New Orleans? LaToya Cantrell
19. In 1959, Berry Gordy founded this famous music production company. Motown

HS 4

1. Who is credited with an invention that improved the ironing board? Sarah Boone
2. \*\*What political office does Kamala Harris hold and what other national office did she hold before? Vice President of the U.S; U.S. Senator from California
3. Who holds the record for most points scored in a single game, and how many points did he score? Wilt Chamberlain, 100 points
4. What 21-year-old Black Panther Party member was murdered by Chicago police with F.B.I. involvement in 1969? Fred Hampton
5. \*\*\* Who was the coach of the Jackson State University football team in 2022 and where is currently coaching? Deion Sanders; University of Colorado
6. \*\*\*\*Name one of the outstanding books written by author James Baldwin. “The Fire Next Time”, “Go Tell It On the Mountain”, “Nobody Knows My Name”, “If Beale Street Could Talk”
7. What two-letter word described the system of segregation that took place following the Civil War and Reconstruction? Jim Crow
8. How were African Americans kept from voting during the early Jim Crow era? Poll tax, difficult literacy tests, terrorism,
9. \*\*\*This year, many state legislatures controlled by white Republicans have passed laws that make it difficult for African Americans to vote. Name two provisions of those laws. Extremely strict voter identification rules; closing polling places in Black communities; ending voting on Sunday; making it difficult to vote by mail
10. Apartheid was the system of racial segregation and oppression that was found in what African country? South Africa
11. \*\*\*He was elected president of an African country in 1994. Name him and the country in which he was elected president. Nelson Mandela, South Africa
12. Prior to his election in 1994, where did Nelson Mandela spend the previous 27 years? In prison for fighting against apartheid
13. This South African Bishop received a Nobel Peace Prize for his activism in fighting against apartheid. Name him. Bishop Desmond Tutu
14. Who are Sasha and Malia? Daughters of the Obamas
15. Booker T. Washington was the founder of what HBCU? Tuskegee Institute or University
16. Name the most famous scientist of Tuskegee University. George Washington Carver
17. \*\*\*George Washington Carver found many uses for what two crops? Peanuts, sweet potatoes (soybeans is acceptable)
18. Name an agricultural practice that Dr. Carver recommended that is used by today’s organic farmers. Crop rotation, planting cover crops. Composting
19. What was the occupation of Ella Fitzgerald? Jazz singer

20. \*\*\*\*What is the hometown of Linda Thomas Greenfield and what position in government does she now serve? Baker, Louisiana, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations

## HS5

1. What African American NFL quarterback protested racism and police brutality against African Americans by kneeling on one knee during the National Anthem? Colin Kaepernick
2. \*\*Name the two African Americans who served as Secretary of State. Colin Power, Condoleezza Rice
3. Alicia Garza, Patrice Cullors, and Opal Tometi have been credited with starting what liberation organization? Black Lives Matter
4. \*\*\*In what city in North Carolina did the famous restaurant sit-in by 4 students take place and what university did these students attend? Greensboro, NC, North Carolina A and T
5. The HBCU Alcorn State University is located in what state? Mississippi
6. This island nation has some of the world's best track athletes, especially in the sprints. Jamaica
7. Name one world record held by Jamaican sprinter Usain Bolt. 100-meter or 200-meter dash (or race)
8. Her mother was born in Japan and her father is from Haiti. She has won tennis championships at both the U.S. and Australian Open. Name her. Naomi Osaka
9. What small island country in the Caribbean was the site of the only successful land slave revolt in the Western Hemisphere? Haiti
10. Who was Toussaint L'Overture? Leader of the slave revolt in Haiti
11. \*\*\*Activist Tarana Burke was one of the founders of what organization and what is the purpose of that organization? Me Too Movement, to fight against sexual harassment and abuse, especially involving women of color
12. \*\*\*Over 1,000 youngsters participated in the march to oppose discrimination and racism in May 1963. Name the march and the city in which it took place. The Children's March, Birmingham, Alabama
13. \*\*\*In what year and in what Alabama city were four little girls murdered by Ku Klux Klan white terrorists who bombed a church? Birmingham, September, 1963
14. \*\*\*\*He was the first African American mayor of Chicago. Harold Washington,
15. This innocent jogger was chased down and shot to death by White vigilantes in Georgia. Name him. Ahmad Aubrey
16. In 1971, Marvin Gaye released this classic social conscience song that covered war, the environment, and racism. Name the song. "What's Going On"
17. \*\*\*He was a former All-American football player, baritone singer, and actor who was also a strong advocate for social and racial justice causes. Name him and the title of his autobiography. Paul Robeson, "Here I Stand"
18. \*\*\* His final three words were often repeated in widespread demonstrations against police brutality. Name him and repeat those three words. Eric Garner, "I Can't Breathe"
19. Wes Moore was recently elected governor of what state? Maryland



20. What was Wes Moore's book "The Other Wes Moore" about? He compared his life with another man named Wes Moore who lived a life of crime and is currently in prison.

1. During the 1930s and 1940s this doctor's work with blood plasma improved techniques used in blood transfusions. Dr. Charles Drew
2. In 1941, Dr. Drew was appointed as director to the first American Red Cross Blood Bank. Why did he resign? He protested that blood from Blacks and whites was kept separately
3. In 1957, this group of nine high school students were the first to attend a high school in Arkansas. They were met by a hostile white mob but were escorted into the building by federal troops. Name the group. Little Rock 9
4. His murder by police in Minneapolis, Minnesota in 2020 led to worldwide demonstrations for justice. George Floyd
5. \*\*\*She is the daughter of singer Diana Ross. Name her and the weekly program that features her. Tracie Ellis Ross, "Blackish"
6. What do the letters SNCC stand for? Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee
7. What lady was a founding member of the SNCC and a main organizer for the Freedom Riders? Diane Nash
8. He was an active member of the SNCC before becoming mayor of Washington, DC. Marion Berry
9. \*\*\*\*\*By what other name is abolitionist Isabella Baumfree known and what is her most famous quote? Sojourner Truth, "Ain't I a woman"
10. Who wrote "Black Boy" and "Native Son" Richard Wright
11. The 1920s and 1930s were a period of great cultural achievements by Black writers, actors, music, and art. By what name is this period known? Harlem Renaissance
12. He is often considered to be one of the greatest poets during the Harlem Renaissance. Langston Hughes
13. \*\*\*Who founded the Universal Negro Improvement Organization, and on what Caribbean Island nation was he born? Marcus Garvey, Jamaica
14. Marcus Garvey was a Pan-Africanist. What do Pan-Africanists believe? People of African descent throughout the world should work for a strong and unified Africa.
15. Name the organization of Black nurses established by Garvey's Universal Negro Improvement Association and give the purpose of that organization. Black Cross Nurses; to provide medical care for Black people.
16. What shipping company was founded by Marcus Garvey to conduct international trade among Black people? Black Star Shipping Line
17. What was the cause of the decline of the UNIA? Garvey was arrested on what many consider were "trumped up" charges
18. Who was the most famous reggae singer who, like Garvey, was born in Jamaica? Bob Marley
19. \*\*\*Who wrote "Miseducation of the Negro" and what was the book about? Carter G. Woodson, the history of African Americans is not found in many history books; the brainwashing of African Americans

20. He is known as “The Father of Black History”. He also founded the Association for the Study of African American Life and History. Carter G. Woodson

1. \*\*\*Name the group of northern Africans who conquered and ruled a European country until 1492 along with the country that they ruled. Moors, Spain
2. \*\*\*Who founded the River Road African American Museum and in what city in Louisiana is it located? Kathe Hambrick Jackson, Donaldsonville
3. \*\*\*\*In 1964, this armed group was formed in a small Louisiana town. Name the group and the town where it was founded. Deacons for Defense, Jonesboro
4. What was the purpose of the Deacons for Defense? To protect students and civil rights workers from violent attacks from the Ku Klux Klan
5. This young lady gymnast has one over 30 Olympic or World Championship medals. Her first name is Simone. What is her last name? Biles
6. Simone is also the last name of a singer and pianist known as “The High Priestess of Soul. Name her Nina Simone
7. Former SU Jaguars Rodney Milburn and Willie Davenport both won Olympic Gold Medals in what type of track and field sport? Hurdling
8. Who wrote “The New Jim Crow” and what is the book about? Michelle Alexander; Mass Incarceration of African Americans
9. \*Chokwe Lumumba is currently the mayor of what southern city and who was the mayor of that city before him? Jackson, Mississippi; his father, Chokwe Lumumba Sr.
10. What is chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE), and who discovered its existence among professional football players. Brain disorder, Dr. Bennet Omalu
11. Dr. Bennet Omalu discovered the existence of chronic traumatic encephalopathy CTE in several athletes— football players, other athletes who play contact sports
12. What African country gained independence in 1847? Liberia
13. What is the capital of Liberia, and what is ironic about its name? Monrovia; named after U.S. President James Monroe, a slave owner
14. \*\*\*Who were Denver Smith and Leonard Brown and what posthumous honor did they receive? Two Southern University students were killed by police during a peaceful student protest on campus. The student union is named in their honor
15. What popular quote concerning progress was made by Frederick Douglass? “If there no struggle, is no progress”.
16. Frederick Douglass saw what controversy concerning the celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Independence Day. Many African Americans were enslaved when the holiday was first celebrated
17. What is the movie “Just Mercy” about? An innocent man convicted of murder and a lawyer who worked for his release
18. \*\*\*\*Name the two stars of “Just Mercy”. Michael B. Jordan, Jamie Foxx
19. Name the lawyer whose work is featured in the movie “Just Mercy”. Bryan Stevenson
20. Bryan Stevenson also established the Legacy Museum. Part of that museum recognizes and honors many African Americans who have been lynched. In what city is the museum located? Montgomery, Alabama

21. What did Central Park 5 and Groveland 4 have in common? They were groups of young Black youth who were wrongfully accused of brutal crimes and were later exonerated of all charges. One of the Groveland 4 was murdered by a sheriff, and another died before being exonerated years later

## HS 8

1. This legislation was one of the main accomplishments of the Obama presidency. Give either name for this legislation that dealt with providing health benefits. Affordable Care Act; Obamacare
2. In 1964, the regular Democratic Party in Mississippi would not allow African Americans to join and vote. Because of this, this former sharecropper helped to form the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party. Fannie Lou Hamer
3. What was Fannie Lou Hamer's famous quote? I'm sick and tired of being sick and tired"
4. \*\*\*In 1939, she recorded "Strange Fruit". Name her and tell what the song is about. Billie Holiday; lynchings
5. Who is credited with being one of the first persons to use the phrase "Black power"? Stokely Carmichael
6. \*\*\*In what city was Dr. King assassinated and why was he in that city? Memphis; to support the sanitation Workers' strike
7. After Dr. King was assassinated, who continued to participate and lead demonstrations in Memphis? Coretta Scott King
8. \*\*\*Who started "Let's Move" to fight childhood obesity and what is the title of her latest book? Michelle, Obama; "Becoming
9. President Biden has nominated Ketanji Brown Jackson for what position? U.S. Supreme Court Justice
10. \*\*\*What South African TV comedian wrote the book "Born A Crime" and why was it so named? Trevor Noah; His father was White and his mother was African. Their marriage was illegal at the time in South Africa
11. The Black Panther Party was founded in 1966. Name one of its early leaders. Eldridge Cleaver, Huey Newton, Bobby Seale
12. What was the book "The Color of Food" by Natasha Bowen about? African American farmers and other farmers of color
13. \*\*\*\*One player hit 762 home runs in his career and holds the record for most home runs. The other is the man whose record he broke. Barry Bonds, Hank Aaron (755 home runs)
14. \*\*\*What is the shortened name of the Southeastern African American Farmers Organic Network and what is its purpose? SAAFON; to assist farmers in growing organically.
15. \*\*\*\*This wide receiver received a Super Bowl ring last year. He formerly attended LSU. Name him and the NFL team for which he plays. Odell Beckham, Los Angeles Rams
16. **Actress Cynthia Erivo won an Academy Award for her role as what legendary woman? Harriet Tubman**
17. \*\*One was a talented jazz singer. The other advised student activists and encouraged them to form a student organization, SNCC. Name the two Ellas. Ella Baker, Ella Fitzgerald
18. Dr. King was the first president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). Name one other founding member. Ralph Abernathy, Joseph Lowery, Bayard Rustin