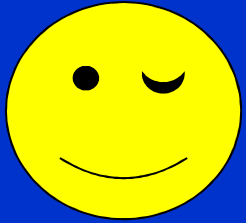


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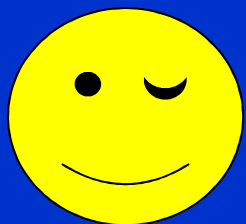




Blue Print Skill



- Identify the heroic deeds of characters from state, national, and global histories.

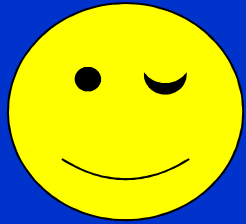


Martin Luther King, Jr.



- Dr. King was the youngest person to ever receive the Noble Peace Prize in 1964.





Martin Luther King, Jr.



- Martin Luther King, Jr. was a minister who became a leader in the civil rights movement in the 1950's.
- In 1955-1956 he become prominent in leading the bus boycott in Montgomery, Alabama.

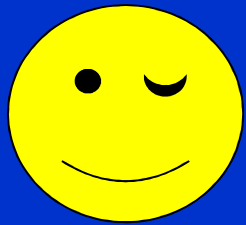


George Washington Carver



- Carver was one of American most-accomplished scientists.





George Washington Carver



- George Washington Carver was born a slave, but was taught to read and write by his owners.
- Carver attended college and earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in agriculture.
- Carver became a world famous scientist who developed more than 300 products from the peanut.

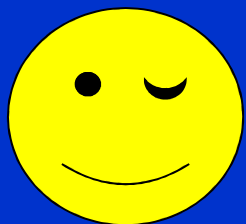


Harriet Tubman



- Tubman was called Moses because she led her people out of slavery.

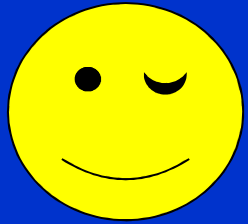




Harriet Tubman



- Harriet Tubman was born a slave and lived on a plantation in Maryland until she escaped north.
- She became a conductor on the “underground railroad” helping more than 300 slaves escape to the North.
- During the Civil War Harriet was a nurse, scout and spy for the Union forces.

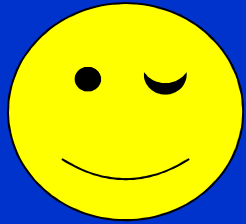


Langston Hughes



- Langston Hughes was a famous African American author.





Langston Hughes



- He was a newspaper correspondent in the Spanish Civil War.
- *The Weary Blues* was his first collection of poetry.
- Hughes wrote his autobiography called The Big Sea in 1949.

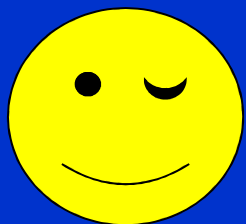


Jesse Owens



Owens won four gold medals at the 1936 Olympics which were watched by Adolf Hitler.

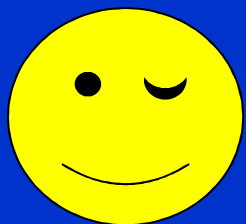




Jesse Owens



- His nickname of Jesse actually comes from his initials J.C.
- Jesse set a long jump record that lasted 25 years.
- Jesse Owens also gave many speeches about promoting fair play, clean living and patriotism.

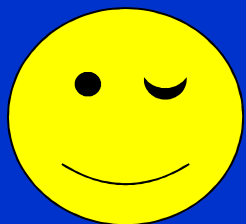


Jackie Robinson



- Jackie Robinson led his team to six World Series appearances.

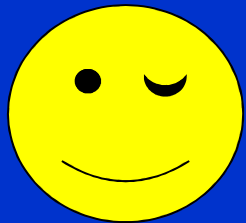




Jackie Robinson



- Jackie Robinson was the first black man to play in major league baseball in 1947.
- In 1949 Robinson was named Most Valuable Player in the National League.
- He was elected into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1962.

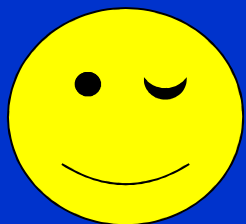


Mary McLeod Bethune



- Bethune was the first black woman to head a federal agency in the national government.

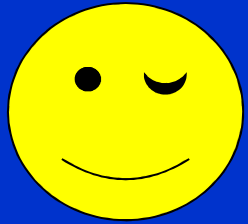




Mary McLeod Bethune



- Mary McLeod Bethune was a leading black educator who opened a school in 1904 for six black students.
- Schools for black children were not common and well equipped in the early 1900's.

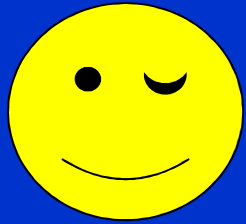


Colin Powell



- Powell has served his country as a soldier and diplomat.

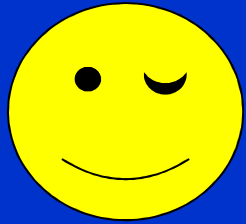




Colin Powell



- Colin L. Powell was born in Harlem in 1937.
- While in college, Powell discovered the ROTC (Reserve Officers Training Corps). This led to his career decision to join the army.
- Powell served in the Vietnam war and received many awards and medal for bravery and courage.



Colin Powell



- Powell became the first black to be appointed as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in 1989 by President George H.W. Bush.
- From 2001 – 2004 Powell served as secretary of State under President George W. Bush.



Famous African Americans



- Think about the people discussed today.
- List the person and one contribution in which that person made in history.