Black History Challenge

Directions: Circle the letter next to the answer that completes the sentence.

1. Phillis Wheatley published a collection of poetry in ____________.
   a. 1773
   b. 1837
   c. 1861

2. ____________ was an inventor who helped design Washington, D.C.
   a. Benjamin Banneker
   b. George Washington Carver
   c. Frederick Douglass

3. Jean Baptiste Pointe DuSable is considered the father of ____________.
   a. jazz
   b. blues
   c. Chicago

4. In 1909, ____________, along with Robert Peary and a group of Inuit guides, was the first to reach the North Pole.
   a. Matthew Henson
   b. Nat Love
   c. James Beckwourth

5. W.E.B. DuBois was one of the founders of ____________.
   a. the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
   b. Morehouse College
   c. the Congressional Black Caucus

6. Garrett Morgan invented gas masks and ____________.
   a. the automatic traffic light
   b. the typewriter
   c. nylon
7. When the Daughters of the American Revolution wouldn’t let her sing in Constitution Hall in 1939, __________ gave a concert on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.
   a. Jessye Norman
   b. Marian Anderson
   c. Leontyne Price

8. __________ was the first African American to win the Nobel Peace Prize.
   a. Ralph Bunche
   b. Martin Luther King Jr.
   c. Colin Powell

9. __________ was the first African American Supreme Court Justice.
   a. Booker T. Washington
   b. Thurgood Marshall
   c. Clarence Thomas

10. In 1993, ____________ won the Nobel Prize for Literature.
    a. Maya Angelou
    b. Alex Haley
    c. Toni Morrison