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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

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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