### Black History Month Inspiration

## Mae C. Jemison

Mae C. Jemison is an American astronaut and physician who, on June 4, 1987, became the first African American woman to be admitted into NASA's astronaut training program. On September 12, 1992, Jemison finally flew into space with six other astronauts aboard the Endeavour on mission STS47, becoming the first African American woman in space.



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Never be limited by other people's limited imaginations.

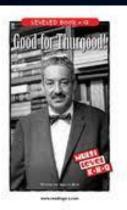
~ Dr. Mae Jemison





# Thurgood Marshall

Thurgood Marshall (July 2, 1908 – January 24, 1993) was an American lawyer and civil rights activist who served as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from October 1967 until October 1991. Marshall was the Court's first African-American justice.



In recognizing the humanity of our fellow beings, we pay ourselves the highest tribute.

- Thurgood Marshall

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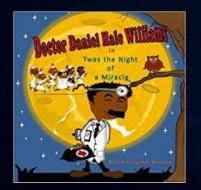


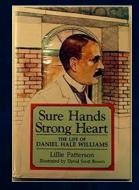


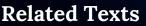
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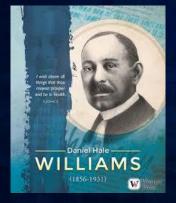
## Daniel Hale Williams

Daniel Hale Williams pursued a pioneering career in medicine. An African American doctor, in 1891, Williams opened Provident Hospital, the first medical facility to have an interracial staff. He was also one of the first physicians to successfully complete pericardial surgery on a patient. Williams later became chief surgeon of the Freedmen's Hospital.





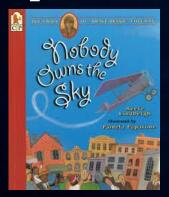






## Bessie Coleman

Bessie Coleman (1893-1926) was the first licensed African-American pilot in the world, and the first Native American pilot in the world. She was known for performing Flying tricks.



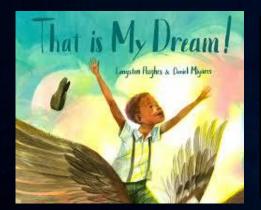
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## Langston Hughes

James Mercer Langston Hughes (February 1, 1901 – May 22, 1967) was an American poet, social activist, novelist, playwright, and columnist. He was one of the most important writers and thinkers of the Harlem Renaissance, which was the African American artistic movement in the 1920s that celebrated black life and culture.



When a man starts out to build a world, he starts first with himself.

Langston Hughes

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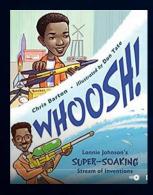
**Famous Quote** 



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## Lonnie Johnson

Engineer and inventor Lonnie Johnson earned his master's degree in nuclear engineering from Tuskegee University and went on to work for the U.S. Air Force and the NASA space program. He invented the Super Soaker. He has since been developing an engine that converts heat directly into electricity, which Johnson's sees as the path to low-cost solar power.



Persevere. That's what I always say to people. There's no easy route. Lonnie Johnson



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### **Bonus Book!**



