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## Black History Month Crossword Puzzle! created by Mark Saba



## Across

2. First African-American president
3. Gave the 'I have a dream' speech
4. Abolitionist, worked on the Underground Railroad
5. Famous for not moving to the back of the bus
6. Talk-show host of her own TV show
7. First African-American to earn a doctorate degree from an American university
8. First African-American Supreme court justice
9. Famous poet, wrote the "And Still I Rise" repetition poem
10. Supported the establishment of a national holiday for her husband

## Down

1. Famous baseball player, was the first African-American player to be in Major League
2. Persuaded Abraham Lincoln to pass the Emancipation Proclamation, credited as the founder of the American civil rights movement
3. Olympic sprinter, battled many diseases including polio at a young age
4. Speaker and preacher, gave the 'Ain't I A Woman' speech
5. America's leading black educator at the start of the 20th century
6. Botanist and inventor, known to be a peanut genius
7. First Lady from 2009-2017
8. First African-American student to attend an all-white public elementary school in the South
9. Hall of fame African-American basketball player
10. Spent 27 years in prison in South Africa, but went on to become the country's first black president
11. Self taught, was an almanac author, surveyor, farmer, astronomer and mathematician
