

Service in Action

Identify African Americans who served their communities and country.

SS.2.AA.1.1 "Identify African Americans who demonstrated civic service (i.e., Secretary of State Colin Powell, Civil Air Patrol [CAP] Lt. Willa Beatrice Brown, Carter G. Woodson, Senator Hiram Revels)."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the four people's names. Circle the words that tell how each person gave civic service, so you can identify each person's contribution.

People Who Served

- ① Civic service means helping a community, a country, or its people. Colin Powell served the United States as Secretary of State. In that job, he worked with leaders from other countries and helped explain the United States' views.
- ② Willa Beatrice Brown was a lieutenant in the Civil Air Patrol, a volunteer group that supports aviation needs. She helped train Black pilots. Hiram Revels served Mississippi in the United States Senate. He was the first African American United States senator.
- ③ Carter G. Woodson believed people should learn Black history. He started Negro History Week in 1926. This event helped schools and communities notice African Americans' achievements. Today, Black History Month grew from that earlier week and continues this learning.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 What job did Colin Powell do for the United States?

2 Who was a Civil Air Patrol lieutenant, and how did she help?

3 What was Hiram Revels's job? What event did Carter G. Woodson start?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Choose one person from the passage. In the box, draw a symbol that shows that person's civic service, then write one sentence that tells why you chose the symbol.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline the four people's names. Circle the words that tell how each person gave civic service, so you can identify each person's contribution. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What job did Colin Powell do for the United States?	He served as Secretary of State.
2	Who was a Civil Air Patrol lieutenant, and how did she help?	Willa Beatrice Brown was a Civil Air Patrol lieutenant. She helped train Black pilots.
3	What was Hiram Revels's job? What event did Carter G. Woodson start?	Hiram Revels was a United States senator from Mississippi. Carter G. Woodson started Negro History Week.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Drawing: a globe. I chose a globe for Colin Powell because he worked with leaders from other countries. Accept accurate symbols and sentences that connect one named person to civic service described in the passage. Students may choose Colin Powell, Willa Beatrice Brown, Hiram Revels, or Carter G. Woodson.