Who Am I?

1. I was once a slave and I later started a secret, Blacks only Sunday school and taught children to read and write. Who am I? (Frederick Douglass)

2. I refused to give up my seat on a bus to a white person, and helped shine the national spotlight on segregation. Who am I? (Rosa Parks)

3. I was a civil rights lawyer who won 29 of the 30 cases I presented before the US Supreme Court, and I went on to become the first African American US Supreme Court Justice. Who am I? (Thurgood Marshall)

4. I was the first African American to play major league baseball, with the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947. Who am I? (Jackie Robinson)

5. We were the first African Americans to win the Academy Award (Oscar) for Best Actor and Best Actress. Who are we? (Sidney Poitier, Halle Berry)

6. I graduated from Harvard, was the first African American to earn a doctorate, and I co-founded the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). Who am I? (W.E.B. Du Bois)

7. I broke three world records in track and field in 45 minutes in 1935. Who am I? (Jesse Owens)

8. I was the first African American Secretary of State. Who am I? (Colin Powell)

9. I was the first African American to receive the Nobel Prize for Literature, in 1993. Who am I? (Toni Morrison)

10. I was a famous Civil Rights leader who wrote *Letter from a Birmingham Jail* and gave the 1963 speech, “I Have a Dream.” Who am I? (Martin Luther King, Jr.)

11. I was the first African American congresswoman and the first major-party black candidate to make a bid for the U.S. presidency. Who am I? (Shirley Chisholm)

12. I flew on the *Endeavour* in 1992, becoming the first African American woman in space. Who am I? (Mae Jemison)

13. I was known as “The First Lady of Song” and was one of the top female jazz singers for over 50 years. Who am I? (Ella Fitzgerald)

14. I was well-known for my memoir *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, and my poetry, one of which I recited at the 1993 inauguration of President Bill Clinton. Who am I? (Maya Angelou)

15. I was the first African American woman to hold a Cabinet position, to serve as an ambassador, and to head a law school. Who am I? (Patricia Roberts Harris)