



Frederick Douglass

“Words Stronger Than Chains”

**BORN INTO SLAVERY
ROSE TO FREEDOM**

FREDERICK DOUGLASS WAS BORN INTO SLAVERY IN MARYLAND IN 1818. PEOPLE WHO WERE ENSLAVED WERE NOT ALLOWED TO LEARN TO READ OR WRITE.

SECRET READING = SECRET POWER



WHEN HE WAS 12, A WOMAN NAMED SOPHIA AULD BEGAN TEACHING FREDERICK THE ALPHABET BUT WHEN HER HUSBAND LEARNED OF THIS, HE MADE HER STOP, FEARING THAT EDUCATION WOULD MAKE FREDERICK “UNFIT FOR SLAVERY”.



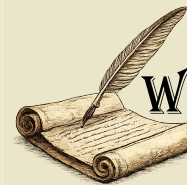
DOUGLASS CONTINUED TO LEARN TO READ ON HIS OWN, TEACHING HIMSELF IN SECRET. HE READ MANY BOOKS AND EVEN TAUGHT OTHER ENSLAVED PEOPLE, BECAUSE HE KNEW THAT EDUCATION COULD LEAD TO FREEDOM.



THE TRAIN TO FREEDOM

ON SEPTEMBER 3RD 1838, DOUGLASS BOARDED A TRAIN HEADING NORTH AND FINALLY ESCAPED SLAVERY AFTER 20 YEARS!

AFTER HE ARRIVED IN NEW YORK HE REMARKED THAT HE “LIVED MORE IN ONE DAY THAN IN A WHOLE YEAR AS A SLAVE”.



WORDS TO KNOW:

SLAVERY: AN UNFAIR PART OF HISTORY WHERE SOME PEOPLE WERE CONSIDERED PROPERTY BECAUSE THEY WERE BORN INTO A FAMILY THAT WASN'T FREE.

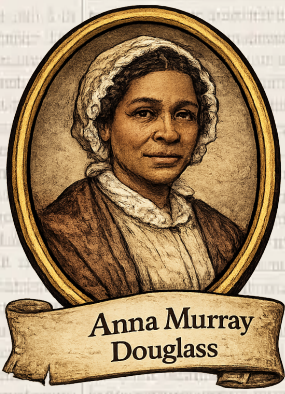
ABOLITION: THE ACT OF OFFICIALLY ENDING OR STOPPING SLAVERY. PEOPLE WHO SUPPORTED THIS EFFORT WERE CALLED ABOLITIONISTS.

ORATOR: A PUBLIC SPEAKER, ESPECIALLY ONE WHO IS VERY SKILLED. FREDERICK DOUGLASS SPENT MOST OF HIS LIFE BEING AN EXCELLENT ORATOR.



FUN FACT:

WHEN DOUGLASS ESCAPED ON THE TRAIN, HE DISGUISED HIMSELF AS A SAILOR TO AVOID GETTING CAUGHT.



- FREE BLACK WOMAN FROM MARYLAND.
- INSPIRED DOUGLASS TO STRIVE FOR FREEDOM DESPITE PREVIOUS FAILED ATTEMPTS.
- SUPPORTED DOUGLASS WITH MONEY AND SUPPLIES TO ESCAPE. SHE EVEN GAVE HIM HIS SAILOR CLOTHING TO HIDE HIS IDENTITY WHEN HE ESCAPED.

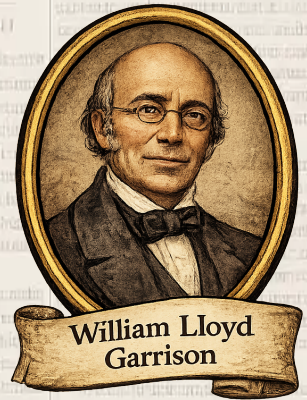
IMPORTANT PEOPLE FROM DOUGLASS' LIFE

- AFTER DOUGLASS ESCAPED, HE AND ANNA MURRAY GOT MARRIED RATHER QUICKLY, JUST 12 DAYS AFTER HE HAD BECOME FREE.

- RENOWNED AUTHOR OF "THE LIBERATOR", AN ABOLITIONIST NEWSPAPER THAT DOUGLASS ENJOYED READING.
- DOUGLASS MET GARRISON AT AN ANTI-SLAVERY MEETING IN 1841. DOUGLASS GAVE A SPEECH AND GARRISON LOVED IT.



- GARRISON OFFERED DOUGLASS A PAID POSITION AS A PUBLIC SPEAKER FOR THE ANTI-SLAVERY MOVEMENT. THIS KICKSTARTED DOUGLASS' CAREER AS AN ORATOR.



TIMELINE OF DOUGLASS' LIFE

1818 ~ 1895

1818

BORN INTO SLAVERY IN MARYLAND

1845

PUBLISHED AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY ABOUT HIS LIFE

1877

BECOMES A U.S. MARSHALL, APPOINTED BY PRESIDENT HAYES

1838

ESCAPED SLAVERY AND GOT MARRIED TO ANNA MURRAY

1847

FOUNDED HIS OWN NEWSPAPER CALLED "THE NORTH STAR"

1881

APPOINTED RECORDER OF DEEDS BY PRESIDENT GARFIELD

1841

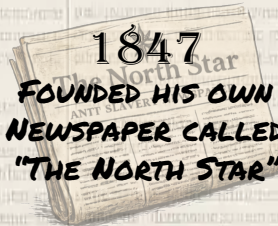
MEETS WILLIAM LLOYD GARRISON AND BECOMES PROFESSIONAL ORATOR

1863

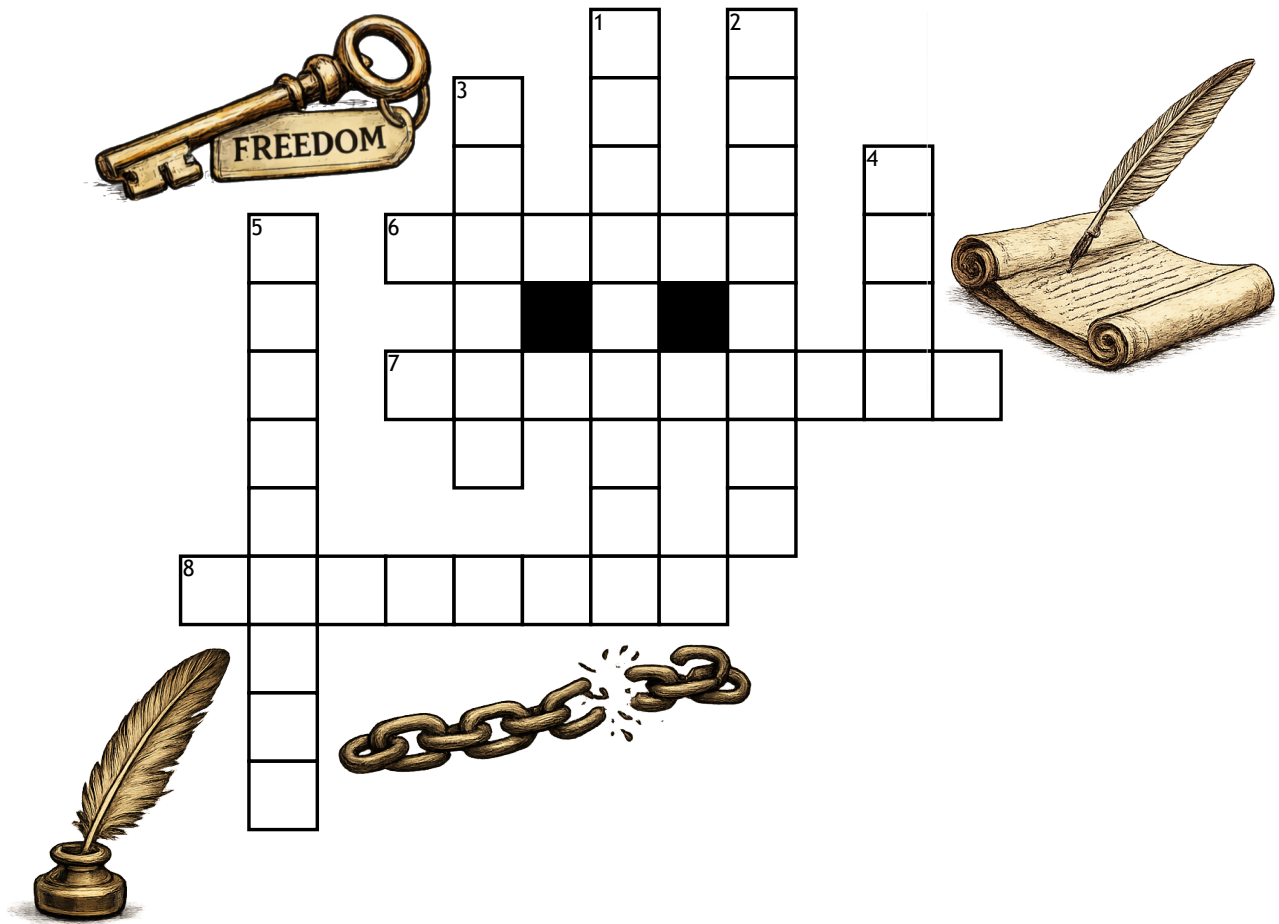
MET WITH ABRAHAM LINCOLN AND HELPED RECRUIT SOLDIERS FOR THE 54TH MASSACHUSETTS INFANTRY REGIMENT

1889

ASSIGNED MINISTER TO HAITI BY PRESIDENT HARRISON



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Across

6. What kind of outfit was Douglass wearing as a disguise when he escaped in 1838?
7. Frederick's Newspaper that he started in 1847.
8. The state where Douglass was born enslaved.

Down

1. The act of officially ending or stopping slavery.

2. The last name of the person Douglass met that helped him kickstart his career as an orator.
3. Another word for a skilled public speaker.
4. The first name of Frederick's wife.
5. William Lloyd Garrison's newspaper that inspired Douglass.

Word Bank

Abolition
Liberator

Garrison
Anna

Maryland
Orator

NorthStar
Sailor

Name: _____

Date: _____

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Y T E B X Q K H G Q X V S K T F K
K S P E A K I N G Q E D Q A I O K
S W X I C V K V O K K N W I Z I A
Q O C V V W C F O V E Q Y X G E F
E R N Z H Q C R K W C A J R R M A
Q A F R Q Z E E H L K P R H Y W U
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C P W Q P N M V V I V Q L W U G X
K I U V C K U B B N O M G R P E D
R K P S H Z K B V Y O N H P X Z V

Speaking

Freedom

Equality

Justice

Orator

Abolition

Courage

Frederick

RECIPE

FROM FREDERICK DOUGLASS

19TH CENTURY STEWED APPLES (APPLE SAUCE)

OCTOBER 28TH 1841

MAKES ABOUT 4 SERVINGS

Ingredients:

- 6 apples (any kind)
- 1/2 cup of water
- 1 - 2 Tbsp of sugar or molasses
- Pinch of cinnamon or nutmeg

Method:

1. Prepare the apples:

- Wash, peel (optional), core, slice into chunks.

2. Place apples and water into the sauce pan.

3. Simmer over medium heat and cover.

4. Cook for 15 - 25 minutes until apples are soft and begin to break down.

5. Mash or leave chunky, which ever you prefer.

6. Sweeten and spice to your desire.

7. Enjoy! Can be served warm or cold.

Equipment:

- Medium size sauce pan
- Knife (for peeling and slicing)
- Cutting board
- Wooden spoon
- Fork or potato masher (for mashing)