

Test: Womens History - MS NCE

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What First Lady witnessed the assassination of her husband on November 22, 1963?

- A) Mary Todd Lincoln
- B) Jackie Kennedy
- C) Lady Bird Johnson
- D) Mamie Eisenhower

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Which woman became a Civil Rights icon after refusing to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama bus?

- A) Ella Baker
- B) Harriet Tubman
- C) Rosa Parks
- D) Elizabeth Keckley

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The famous "Lost Princess" Anastasia was part of what long-ruling Russian royal family?

- A) Romanov
- B) Novgorod
- C) Hapsburg
- D) Yaroslav

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Self-portraits like *The Broken Column*, *The Wounded Deer*, and *Me and My Parrots* were painted by which Mexican artist, the wife of Diego Rivera?

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- A) Georgia O'Keeffe
 - B) Maria Izquierdo
 - C) Frida Kahlo
 - D) Lavinia Fontana

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Which of these abolitionist women was given the nickname "Moses" for her work guiding slaves to freedom on the Underground Railroad?

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- A) Harriet Beecher Stowe
 - B) Lucretia Mott
 - C) Sojourner Truth
 - D) Harriet Tubman

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Parvati, Saraswati, and Lakshmi are all goddesses in which religion, which originated on the Indian subcontinent?

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- A) Buddhism
 - B) Shinto
 - C) Hinduism
 - D) Islam

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Polonium and radium were discovered by which Polish-French physicist, along with her husband Pierre?

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- A) Marie Curie
 - B) Grace Hopper
 - C) Lise Meitner
 - D) Vera Rubin

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Which of these famous monsters was created by author Mary Shelley?

- A) Dracula
- B) The Kraken
- C) The Hydra
- D) Frankenstein's Monster

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Lewis and Clark were helped in their exploration by which Lemhi Shoshone woman?

- A) Pocahontas
- B) Mary Dann
- C) Cameahwait
- D) Sacagewea

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Which of these French heroines is known as the "Maid of Orleans" and was canonized for her role in the Hundred Years' War?

- A) Isabelle Romee
- B) Joan of Arc
- C) Anne Boleyn
- D) Marie de Medici

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What African-American singer known as "Lady Day" is best known for jazz songs like "Strange Fruit" and "God Bless the Child"?

- A) Ella Fitzgerald
- B) Billie Holiday
- C) Carmen McRae
- D) Audra McDonald

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Which of these novels was written by Jane Austen during the Regency period?

- A) Pride and Prejudice
- B) Jane Eyre
- C) Wuthering Heights
- D) Pamela

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What founder of the National Woman Suffrage Association was arrested in 1872 for voting in Rochester, New York?

- A) Alice Paul
- B) Susan B. Anthony
- C) Gloria Steinem
- D) Elizabeth Cady Stanton

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Virginia Dare, the first child born to English parents in the New World, was born at what ill-fated settlement in North Carolina?

- A) Jamestown
- B) Plymouth
- C) Roanoke
- D) Popham

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Which First Lady, who is famous for her letters to her husband, is one of only two women to be the wife of one US president and the mother of another?

- A) Abigail Adams
- B) Barbara Bush
- C) Dolley Madison
- D) Martha Washington

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What second-longest reigning British monarch was granted the title Empress of India in 1867?

- A) Elizabeth II
- B) Mary I
- C) Victoria
- D) Anne

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Russia colonized Alaska during the reign of which woman, who overthrew her husband Peter III in 1762?

- A) Anna
- B) Elizabeth
- C) Catherine the Great
- D) Anastasia

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What class of female entertainers in Japan are traditionally trained in tea ceremonies, music, and dance?

- A) Geisha
- B) Kabuki
- C) Koryu
- D) Shirabyoshi

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New Hampshire school teacher Krista McAuliffe tragically died in the explosion of which space shuttle?

- A) Endeavor
- B) Discovery
- C) Columbia
- D) Challenger

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Which of these women, according to legend, designed the first American flag?

- A) Abigail Adams
- B) Jane Franklin
- C) Betsy Ross
- D) Deborah Sampson

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The last ruler of Ptolemaic Egypt was which lover of Julius Caesar?

- A) Cleopatra
- B) Berenice
- C) Selene
- D) Octavia

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Which South African activist was elected to Parliament in 1994, the same year that her husband became South Africa's first Black President?

- A) Gertrude Shope
- B) Winnie Mandela
- C) Ruth First
- D) Adelaide Tambo

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Which British actress and UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador is best known for My Fair Lady and Breakfast at Tiffany's?

- A) Joan Crawford
- B) Betty Davis
- C) Hedy Lamar
- D) Audrey Hepburn

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“Because I Could Not Stop for Death” and “Hope is a Thing with Feathers” are poems by what “Woman in White”?

- A) Emily Dickinson
- B) Emily Bronte
- C) Anne Bradstreet
- D) Mary Wollstonecraft

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In 2020, what singer became the youngest person to win the Grammy Award for Record of the Year for her song “Bad Guy”?

- A) Zendaya
- B) Taylor Swift
- C) Billie Eilish
- D) Ariana Grande

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Mary Cassatt, who painted “Lilacs in a Window” and “Lady at the Tea Table”, was part of what art movement?

- A) Surrealism
- B) Impressionism
- C) Cubism
- D) Neoclassicism

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The second historically confirmed and longest-reigning female Pharaoh was what chief wife of Thutmose II?

- A) Nefertari
- B) Cleopatra
- C) Sobekneferu
- D) Hatshepsut

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The double-helix structure of DNA was discovered by what British chemist and x-ray crystallographer?

- A) Marie Curie
- B) Evelyn Hickmans
- C) Kristy Turner
- D) Rosalind Franklin

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What "human calculator" determined the trajectory for Alan Shepard's 1961 space flight and was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal in 2019?

- A) Katherine Johnson
- B) Margaret Hamilton
- C) Hedy Lamarr
- D) Kathleen Booth

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The 1991 Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to what future State Counsellor of Myanmar?

- A) Khin Kyi
- B) Kim Yo-Jong
- C) Aung San Suu Kyi
- D) Benazir Bhutto

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Ruby Bridges was the first Black child to attend William Frantz Elementary School during which city's school desegregation crisis?

- A) New Orleans
- B) New York
- C) Los Angeles
- D) Atlanta

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What Massachusetts woman disguised herself as a man to fight in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War?

- A) Deborah Sampson
- B) Molly Pitcher
- C) Sybil Ludington
- D) Betsy Ross

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Ruth Wakefield, owner of the Toll House Inn, is credited for the invention of what foodstuff?

- A) The Twinkie
- B) The chocolate chip cookie
- C) The apple pie
- D) The ice cream cone

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Mary Read and Anne Bonny are two of the few women who have had what criminal career?

- A) Bank robbers
- B) Arsonists
- C) Pirates
- D) Assassins

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“Ode to Aphrodite” was written by what Ancient Greek poet, nicknamed “The Tenth Muse”?

- A) Rhodopis
- B) Erinna
- C) Praxilla
- D) Sappho

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The Mirabal Sisters were assassinated for opposition to what country's dictator, often called "El Jefe"?

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- A) Cuba
 - B) Dominican Republic
 - C) Brazil
 - D) Jamaica

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Jiang Qing, widow of Mao Zedong, led what Communist Party faction after her husband's death?

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- A) Gang of Four
 - B) Communist Youth League of China
 - C) Populist Coalition
 - D) Red Guard

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Rachel Carson, author of Silent Spring and The Sense of Wonder, was influential in which of these global movements?

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- A) Feminism
 - B) Marxism
 - C) Environmentalism
 - D) Disability Rights

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Joy Harjo and Gwendolyn Brooks have both held what role, in which they were technically a consultant to the Library of Congress?

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- A) Secretary of Education
 - B) Poet Laureate
 - C) Librarian of Congress
 - D) Director of the Center for the Book

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Olympic gold medal-winning gymnast Nadia Comaneci defected from which Eastern European country before its revolution in 1989?

- A) Poland
- B) Bulgaria
- C) Czechoslovakia
- D) Romania

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Imelda Marcos, who along with her husband stole billions from the people of the Philippines, had over 1,000 pairs of what item?

- A) Gloves
- B) Earrings
- C) Shoes
- D) Glasses

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Margaret Thatcher saw a resurgence in popularity after the UK's victory in what 1982 war?

- A) Lebanon War
- B) Coconut War
- C) Invasion of Grenada
- D) Falkland Islands War

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The Spanish Reconquista ended during the reign of which queen?

- A) Joanna
- B) Isabella
- C) Maria
- D) Catherine

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The FLOW-MATIC programming language was designed by what US Navy Rear Admiral?

- A) Grace Hopper
- B) Hedy Lamarr
- C) Margaret Hamilton
- D) Pam Hardt-English

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Singer Miriam Makeba, nicknamed "Mama Africa", was a Swazi and Xhosa singer from what country?

- A) Lesotho
- B) Botswana
- C) Zimbabwe
- D) South Africa

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Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy March grow up during the Civil War in what Louisa May Alcott novel?

- A) Jo's Boys
- B) Eight Cousins
- C) Little Women
- D) Little Men

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The "I Threes" - Judy Mowatt, Marcia Griffiths, and Rita Marley - were a trio of vocalists in what musical genre?

- A) Hip-Hop
- B) Reggae
- C) Ska
- D) Calypso

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What first and only female Prime Minister of India was assassinated by her own bodyguards and Sikh nationalists in 1984?

- A) Benazir Bhutto
- B) Sonia Gandhi
- C) Sushma Swaraj
- D) Indira Gandhi

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When she was nominated by Walter Mondale in 1984, Geraldine Ferraro became the first major-party female candidate for what position?

- A) Secretary of State
- B) Vice President
- C) Chief of Staff
- D) Attorney General

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Tweed suits, jersey fabric, costume jewelry, and suntans were all popularized by what French fashion designer, who collaborated with Nazi intelligence during the occupation of France?

- A) Madeleine Vionnet
- B) Rose Bertin
- C) Paloma Picasso
- D) Coco Chanel

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Jeannette Rankin, the first woman elected to the US House of Representatives, was from what US state?

- A) Montana
- B) New York
- C) Texas
- D) Idaho

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The novels *Villette* and *Jane Eyre* were written by what woman, the eldest of the Brontë sisters?

- A) Charlotte
- B) Emily
- C) Anne
- D) Susan

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What American entrepreneur and philanthropist—the first Black multi-billionaire in North America—started a Leadership Academy for Girls in South Africa?

- A) Halle Berry
- B) Oprah Winfrey
- C) Whoopi Goldberg
- D) Beyoncé Knowles-Carter

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“Aloha ‘Oe” was written by what woman, the last sovereign monarch of the Hawaiian Kingdom?

- A) Analea Keohokālole
- B) Kapi‘olani
- C) Kalama
- D) Lili‘uokalani

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Which Muckraker is best known for her book *The History of the Standard Oil Company*?

- A) Ida Tarbell
- B) Frances Kellor
- C) Ida B. Wells
- D) Nellie Bly

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In the 1972 US Presidential Election, New York congresswoman Shirley Chisholm became the first woman to run for the nomination of what political party?

- A) Republican
- B) Whig
- C) Communist
- D) Democratic

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During the Holocaust, Anne Frank wrote her famous diary while hiding from the Nazis in what city?

- A) Berlin
- B) Krakow
- C) Amsterdam
- D) Paris

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In the Torah and Old Testament, Miriam saves what prophet, her brother, by sending him down the Nile in a basket?

- A) Joseph
- B) Jesus
- C) Abraham
- D) Moses

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Isabel Allende, author of *The House of the Spirits*, is from what South American country?

- A) Brazil
- B) Suriname
- C) Colombia
- D) Chile

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Danica Patrick has the most top-ten finishes for a woman in what sport?

- A) Auto racing
- B) Cross country skiing
- C) Marathon running
- D) CrossFit

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The clinic started by Margaret Sanger in New York City eventually evolved into what women's health care nonprofit?

- A) World Health Organization
- B) Planned Parenthood
- C) Nurses for Sexual and Reproductive Health
- D) Global Health Council

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In 1945, what woman married Adolf Hitler in the Fuhrerbunker less than 40 hours before the two committed suicide?

- A) Geli Raubal
- B) Maria Reiter
- C) Eva Braun
- D) Unity Mitford

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What Brazilian singer, dancer, and actress, best known for samba music, popularized the fruit hat in her American movies?

- A) Rita Moreno
- B) Carmen Miranda
- C) Shakira
- D) Clara Nunes

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As an archduchess of Austria, Marie Antoinette was the daughter of what sole female Habsburg empress?

- A) Elisabeth
- B) Carolina
- C) Maria Theresa
- D) Marguerite Louise

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John Lennon was joined on "Give Peace a Chance" by what Japanese artist, whom he married in 1969?

- A) May Pang
- B) Yoko Ono
- C) Meredith Monk
- D) Barbara Bach

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After working as a nurse in the Civil War, Clara Barton started the American branch of what organization?

- A) Red Cross
- B) World Health Organization
- C) Amnesty International
- D) Planned Parenthood

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Because her work as a nurse often required her to care for soldiers at night, Florence Nightingale was given what nickname?

- A) The Woman with the Torch
- B) The Caregiver with the Candle
- C) The Nurse with the Flashlight
- D) The Lady with the Lamp

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Appointed by Truman, Eleanor Roosevelt was the first chairperson of what United Nations body?

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- A) Economic and Social Committee
 - B) High Council on Refugees
 - C) Commission on Human Rights
 - D) United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

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After leading the opposition to Ferdinand Marcos, what woman became the first female president of the Philippines?

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- A) Imelda Marcos
 - B) Corazon Aquino
 - C) Miriam Santiago
 - D) Narzalina Lim

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Brigid Kosgei, Arlene Pieper, and Katherine Switzer are all women who have made history in what endurance sporting event?

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- A) Ironman triathlons
 - B) Marathons
 - C) Long distance swimming
 - D) Kayak racing

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Before becoming a solo performer, Beyoncé was part of what girl group known for "Say My Name" and "Boatylicious"?

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- A) Spice Girls
 - B) TLC
 - C) Fifth Harmony
 - D) Destiny's Child

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Jeannie Seely was the first woman to host a segment of what longrunning country music television program, which for 30 years was broadcast from the Ryman Auditorium?

- A) Grand Ole Opry
- B) American Bandstand
- C) Soul Train
- D) American Idol

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What philanthropist was supported by the descamisados and labor unions when she ran for Vice President of Argentina in 1951?

- A) Gabriella Michetti
- B) Isabel Martinez
- C) Eva Peron
- D) Christina Fernandez

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What Egyptian woman wrote a commentary on Diophantus's Arithmetica before being murdered by a Christian mob in 415 AD?

- A) Alexandria
- B) Hypatia
- C) Theodora
- D) Hipparchia

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After a photograph of her sitting on a North Vietnamese anti-aircraft gun was circulated by newspapers, the NSA investigated what actress known for exercise videos?

- A) Lily Tomlin
- B) Diane Keaton
- C) Jacki Sorenson
- D) Jane Fonda