



# 👊 Black History Heroes

Grade 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Read the biography passage carefully. Then answer each question below in complete sentences.

Look for key facts about the person's early life, achievements, and impact. Use details from the passage to support your answers.

## Madam C.J. Walker: Haircare Entrepreneur



Did you know one woman built a haircare empire and became a millionaire? That was Madam C.J. Walker!

Sarah Breedlove was born in Louisiana in 1867, just after slavery ended. She worked hard from a young age and later moved to St. Louis, where she became interested in hair care.

Madam C.J. Walker created special hair products for Black women. She started her own business, selling her "Wonderful Hair Grower" door-to-door. Her products helped many women with hair loss and scalp issues.

It was very difficult for a Black woman to start a business in the early 1900s. Many people doubted her, but she believed in her products and her ability to succeed.

Madam C.J. Walker became one of America's first self-made female millionaires. She also used her wealth to help others, supporting education and civil rights. Her legacy inspires entrepreneurs and reminds us of the power of determination.

### COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

(1) Where was Sarah Breedlove, who became Madam C.J. Walker, born?

- A St. Louis    B Louisiana    C New York    D Florida



(2) Madam C.J. Walker's special hair products were for \_\_\_\_\_ women.

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(3) What does the word "entrepreneurs" mean in the passage?

- (A) People who work in schools     (B) People who start their own businesses
- (C) People who write books     (D) People who grow plants

(4) Why do you think Madam C.J. Walker continued her business even when many people doubted her? Use details from the passage.

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(5) How has Madam C.J. Walker's work changed the world? What can we learn from her life?

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