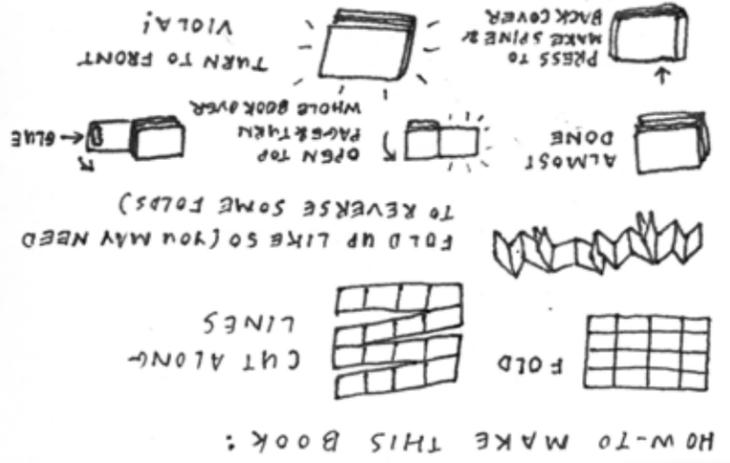


**Soyanor Truck**  
 activist & traveling preacher  
 1797-1883  
 "I COULD WORK AS MUCH  
 AND EAT AS MUCH AS A  
 MAN-WHEN I COULD  
 GET IT-AND AIN'T I  
 A WOMAN?"



# BLACK HISTORY LEADERS

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## Frederick Douglass



abolitionist, writer & statesman  
 1818-1895  
 "I DID NOT KNOW I WAS A SLAVE UNTIL I FOUND I COULD NOT DO THE THINGS I WANTED."

## Harriet Tubman



conductor of the Underground Railroad & spy  
 1822-1913  
 "EVERY GREAT DREAM BEGINS WITH A DREAMER. ALWAYS REMEMBER, YOU HAVE WITHIN YOU THE STRENGTH, THE PATIENCE, AND THE PASSION TO REACH FOR THE STARS AND CHANGE THE WORLD."

## George Washington Carver



botanist & inventor 1860s-1943  
 "EDUCATION IS THE KEY TO UNLOCK THE GOLDEN DOOR TO FREEDOM."

## Marcus Garvey



Jamaican political leader & entrepreneur  
 1887-1940  
 "A PEOPLE WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THEIR PAST HISTORY, ORIGIN & CULTURE IS LIKE A TREE WITHOUT ROOTS."

"IT IS NOT OUR DIFFERENCES THAT DIVIDE US. IT IS OUR INABILITY TO RECOGNIZE, ACCEPT, AND CELEBRATE THOSE DIFFERENCES"

**Audre Lorde**  
 writer, activist, feminist, poet 1934-1992

"KIDS KNOW NOTHING ABOUT RACISM. THEY'RE TAUGHT THAT BY ADULTS"

**Ruby Bridges**  
 activist & first black child at an all-white school in Louisiana, born 1954

"YOU MUST NEVER BE FEARFUL ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE DOING WHEN IT IS RIGHT."

**Rosa Parks**  
 activist & "first lady of civil rights" 1913-2005

"DARKNESS CANNOT DRIVE OUT DARKNESS; ONLY LIGHT CAN DO THAT. HATE CANNOT DRIVE OUT HATE; ONLY LOVE CAN DO THAT"

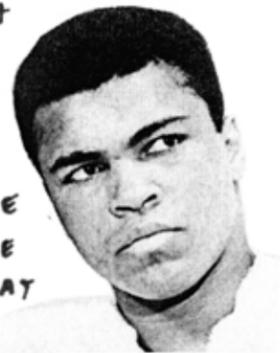
**Martin Luther King Jr.**  
 minister & leader of civil rights movement 1929-1968

## Nina Simone



singer & activist  
 1933-2003  
 "THERE'S NO EXCUSE FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE NOT KNOWING WHO THE HEROES & HEROINES ARE OR WERE."

## Muhammad Ali



professional boxer & activist  
 1942-2016  
 "I KNOW WHERE I'M GOING AND I KNOW THE TRUTH, AND I DON'T HAVE TO BE WHAT YOU WANT ME TO BE. I'M FREE TO BE WHAT I WANT."

## Angela Davis



activist, scholar & writer, born 1944  
 "I AM NO LONGER ACCEPTING THE THINGS I CANNOT CHANGE. I AM CHANGING THE THINGS I CANNOT ACCEPT."

## Alicia Garza, Patrisse Cullors and Opal Tometi



founders of Black Lives Matter movement  
 "THE CONVERSATION ABOUT BLACK LIVES MATTER IS AN AGE-OLD CONVERSATION... WE'RE PART OF A MOVEMENT THAT'S BEEN HAPPENING FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS."  
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