

BECAUSE
OF THEM
WE CAN
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BECAUSE OF
BLACK WALL STREET

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JUST FOR KIDS

FINANCIAL
FREEDOM



BLACK
WALL
ST.



"(doctors)
LAWYERS
business owners
COLLECTIVE
ECONOMICS



FIVE FACTS ABOUT BLACK WALL ST.

- BLACK WALL STREET HAD 108 AFRICAN-AMERICAN OWNED BUSINESSES.
- AFRICAN-AMERICANS WERE NOT ALLOWED TO SHOP IN ANY OTHER AREA, SO THEY CREATED THEIR OWN.
- BLACK WALL STREET HAD SIX PRIVATE-OWNED AIRPLANES AND A COMMUNITY BUS SYSTEM.
- MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE, BOOKER T. WASHINGTON, GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER, W.E.B. DUBOIS, DINAH WASHINGTON, AND MANY OTHER INFLUENTIAL AFRICAN-AMERICANS VISITED TULSA.
- THE PEOPLE OF GREENWOOD TULSA SAID THAT THE BLACK DOLLAR CIRCULATED TWENTY-SIX TIMES BEFORE IT LEFT.



WORD SEARCH

FIND THE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE

BLACK OWNED
 BLACKWALLSTREET
 BUSINESS
 DOCTOR
 NEIGHBOR
 HOOD

GREENWOOD
 LANDRUSH
 LAWYER
 MILLIONS
 OKLAHOMA
 TULSA

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READ & ANSWER!

FROM 1889 TO 1907, THERE WAS A **LAND RUSH** IN THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA. A LAND RUSH WAS WHEN THE GOVERNMENT GAVE LAND TO THOSE THAT ARRIVED FIRST. MANY AFRICAN-AMERICANS, SOME WITH NATIVE AMERICAN ANCESTORS, MADE THEIR WAY TO OKLAHOMA HOPING TO BUILD A COMMUNITY OF THEIR OWN. THIS AREA IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA WAS CALLED **GREENWOOD** BY 1906. IN 1921,



IT WAS HOME TO 10,000 AFRICAN-AMERICAN PEOPLE. GREENWOOD TULSA WAS ALSO KNOWN AS **BLACK WALL STREET** BECAUSE IT WAS ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL MAJORITY AFRICAN-AMERICAN AREAS IN THE UNITED STATES. ON



BLACK WALL STREET, THERE WERE AFRICAN-AMERICAN LAWYERS, REAL-ESTATE AGENTS, DENTISTS, ENTREPRENEURS, AND DOCTORS THAT OFFERED THEIR SERVICES. ALMOST ALL OF ITS BUSINESSES WERE OWNED BY AFRICAN-AMERICAN PEOPLE. THE NEIGHBORHOOD WAS WORTH MILLIONS IN TODAY'S DOLLAR.

1. WHAT EVIDENCE CAN YOU FIND TO SHOW HOW MANY AFRICAN-AMERICANS CAME TO TULSA?

2. IN YOUR OWN WORDS, WHAT IS A LAND RUSH?

ADD IT UP!



OTTOWA O.W. GURLEY

1. **OTTOWA O.W. GURLEY**, A WEALTHY LANDOWNER, SOLD 40 ACRES OF LAND. HE SOLD 20 ACRES AT \$35 EACH ACRE. HE SOLD ANOTHER 20 ACRES AT \$55 EACH ACRE. **HOW MUCH MORE MONEY CAME FROM THE \$55-ACRES THAN THE \$35-ACRES?**



2. **GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER** HAS BEEN SAVING MONEY FOR AN INVENTION PATENT. THE ONE THAT HE HOPES TO BUY COSTS \$186, INCLUDING SALES TAX. SO FAR, HE HAS SAVED \$20. **ABOUT HOW MUCH MONEY DOES HE STILL NEED TO SAVE TO BUY AN INVENTION PATENT?**



TAKE THE PLEDGE

I WILL HONOR
THE SACRIFICES OF
MY ANCESTORS.

I WILL BELIEVE
IN ME.

I WILL PURSUE
MY DREAMS.

I WILL HELP
OTHERS ALONG
THE WAY.