

## Katherine Johnson You Should Meet

In this biography, discover the inspiring story of Katherine Johnson, famed NASA mathematician and one of the subjects of the award-winning 2016 film *Hidden Figures*. It was an incredible accomplishment when the United States first put a person on the Moon - but without the incredible behind-the-scenes work of NASA mathematician Katherine Johnson, such a feat could not have been possible. Follow her remarkable journey from growing up in West Virginia, to becoming a teacher, to breaking barriers at NASA and receiving the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2015. This new biography series from DK goes beyond the basic facts to tell the true life stories of history's most interesting people. Full-color photographs and hand-drawn illustrations complement thoughtfully written, age-appropriate text to create an engaging book children will enjoy reading. Definition boxes, information sidebars, maps, inspiring quotes, and other nonfiction text features add depth, and a handy reference section at the back makes this the one biography series every teacher and librarian will want to collect. Each ebook also includes an author's introduction letter, a glossary, and an index.

Katherine Johnson Simon and Schuster

When Sara Rose returns to live in her recently deceased grandmother's Tasmanian cottage, her past and that of her mother and grandmother is ever-present. Sara's grandmother, Nina Barsova, a Russian post-war immigrant, lovingly raised Sara in the cottage at the foot of Mt Wellington but without ever explaining why Sara's own mother, Helena, abandoned her as a baby. Sara, a geneticist, also longs to know the identity of her father, and Helena won't tell her. Now, estranged not only from her mother, but also from her husband, Sara raises her

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daughter, Ellie, with a central wish to spare her the same feeling of abandonment that she experienced as a child. When Sara meets an Afghani refugee separated from his beloved wife and family, she decides to try to repair relations with Helena – but when a lie told by her grandmother years before begins to unravel, a darker truth than she could ever imagine is revealed. *Matryoshka* is a haunting and beautifully written story about the power of maternal love, and the danger of secrets passed down through generations.

Get to know Lin-Manuel Miranda, the award-winning creator of *Hamilton: An American Musical*, in this fascinating nonfiction Level 3 Ready-to-Read, part of a series of biographies about people “you should meet!” Meet Lin-Manuel Miranda! Lin-Manuel is a writer, singer, actor, songwriter, and rapper who created the hit Broadway musicals *In the Heights* and *Hamilton: An American Musical*. He was also the cocreator of Disney’s *Moana* and is the star of the upcoming film, *Mary Poppins Returns*, with Emily Blunt. His creativity appeals to children and adults alike and he has already won a Tony, Emmy, Grammy, and a Pulitzer Prize for his work. Learn all about how he grew up and the things he’s accomplished so far in this Level 3 Ready-to-Read that’s perfect for beginning readers. A special section at the back of the book includes extras like the history of Puerto Rico and how to write a play. With the *You Should Meet* series, learning about historical figures has never been so much fun!

A close presidential election in November could well come down to contested states or even districts--an election decided by vote theft? It could happen this year. Based on Greg Palast and Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.'s investigative reporting for *Rolling Stone* and BBC television, *Billionaires & Ballot Bandits: How to Steal an Election in 9 Easy Steps* might be the most important book published this year--one that could save the election. *Billionaires & Ballot*

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Bandits names the filthy-rich sugar-daddies who are super-funding the Super-PACs of both parties--billionaires with nicknames like "The Ice Man," "The Vulture" and, of course, The Brothers Koch. Told with Palast's no-holds-barred, reporter-on-the-beat style, the facts as he lays them out are staggering. What emerges in Billionaires & Ballot Bandits is the never-before-told-story of the epic battle being fought behind the scenes between the old money banking sector that still supports Obama, and the new hedge fund billionaires like Paul Singer who not only support Romney but also are among his key economic advisors. Although it has not been reported, Obama has shown some backbone in standing up to the financial excesses of the men behind Romney. Billionaires & Ballot Bandits exposes the previously unreported details on how operatives plan to use the hundreds of millions in Super-PAC money pouring into this election. We know the money is pouring in, but Palast shows us the convoluted ways the money will be used to suppress your vote. The story of the billionaires and why they want to buy an election is matched with the nine ways they can steal the election. His story of the sophisticated new trickery will pick up on Palast's giant New York Times bestseller, The Best Democracy Money Can Buy.

The story of Jean Jennings, Kay McNulty, Frances Bilas, Ruth Lichterman, Betty Snyder, and Marlyn Wescoff, who were chosen to work on the ENIAC computer as part of a secret WWII mission.

Meet the inventive kids who are coming up with ways to save the world in this fascinating, nonfiction Level 3 Ready-to-Read, part of a series of biographies about people "you should meet!" Have you ever wondered what you could do to change the world? Find out how kids are helping the environment, inventing incredible medical devices, aiding the homeless,

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designing apps so other kids won't ever have to eat alone in the cafeteria, and more! Learn all about what they've come up with and how their ideas are changing lives in this story of four amazing kids everyone should meet! A special section at the back of the book includes extras such as biographies of famous young inventors and contemporary activists plus interesting ideas for other ways that kids can change the world. With the You Should Meet series, learning about amazing people has never been so much fun!

The riveting true story of the women who launched America into space. In the 1940s and 50s, when the newly minted Jet Propulsion Laboratory needed quick-thinking mathematicians to calculate velocities and plot trajectories, they didn't turn to male graduates. Rather, they recruited an elite group of young women who, with only pencil, paper, and mathematical prowess, transformed rocket design, helped bring about the first American satellites, and made the exploration of the solar system possible. For the first time, *Rise of the Rocket Girls* tells the stories of these women -- known as "human computers" -- who broke the boundaries of both gender and science. Based on extensive research and interviews with all the living members of the team, *Rise of the Rocket Girls* offers a unique perspective on the role of women in science: both where we've been, and the far reaches of space to which we're heading. "If *Hidden Figures* has you itching to learn more about the women who worked in the space program, pick up Nathalia Holt's lively, immensely readable history, *Rise of the Rocket Girls*." --

Entertainment Weekly

Extensive reading improves fluency and there is a real need in the ELT classroom for contemporary graded material that will stimulate students. Our *Hidden Figures* reader is based on the 2016 nonfiction book written by Margot Lee Shetterly called *Hidden*

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Figures: The American Dream and the Untold Story of the Black Women Who Helped Win the Space Race. It is 50 years since man first walked on the moon, and this untold story of the women behind it makes for an appealing reader for older teenagers.

"NASA computer scientist Katherine Johnson and her two daughters tell the story of how she overcame racial barriers to play an integral role during the American space program's early days"--

The remarkable woman at heart of the smash New York Times bestseller and Oscar-winning film *Hidden Figures* tells the full story of her life, including what it took to work at NASA, help land the first man on the moon, and live through a century of turmoil and change. In 2015, at the age of 97, Katherine Johnson became a global celebrity.

President Barack Obama awarded her the prestigious Presidential Medal of Freedom—the nation's highest civilian honor—for her pioneering work as a mathematician on NASA's first flights into space. Her contributions to America's space program were celebrated in a blockbuster and Academy-award nominated movie. In this memoir, Katherine shares her personal journey from child prodigy in the Allegheny Mountains of West Virginia to NASA human computer. In her life after retirement, she served as a beacon of light for her family and community alike. Her story is centered around the basic tenets of her life—no one is better than you, education is paramount, and asking questions can break barriers. The memoir captures the many facets of this unique woman: the curious “daddy’s girl,” pioneering professional, and sage elder.

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This multidimensional portrait is also the record of a century of racial history that reveals the influential role educators at segregated schools and Historically Black Colleges and Universities played in nurturing the dreams of trailblazers like Katherine. The author pays homage to her mentor—the African American professor who inspired her to become a research mathematician despite having his own dream crushed by racism. Infused with the uplifting wisdom of a woman who handled great fame with genuine humility and great tragedy with enduring hope, *My Remarkable Journey* ultimately brings into focus a determined woman who navigated tough racial terrain with soft-spoken grace—and the unrelenting grit required to make history and inspire future generations.

"As we look ahead to the recovery from the COVID-19 crisis, Making Money Moral could not come at a better time." —Jamie Dimon, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, JPMorgan Chase

The math doesn't add up: Global financial markets can no longer ignore the world's most critical problems. The risks are too high and the costs too great. In *Making Money Moral: How a New Wave of Visionaries Is Linking Purpose and Profit*, authors Judith Rodin and Saadia Madsbjerg explore a burgeoning movement of bold and ambitious innovators. These trailblazers are unlocking private-sector investments in new ways to solve global problems, from environmental challenges to social issues such as poverty and inequality. They are earning great returns and reimagining capitalism in the process. Pioneers in the field of sustainable and impact

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investing, Rodin and Madsbjerg offer first-hand stories of how investors of every type and in every asset class are investing in world-changing solutions—with great success. Meet the visionaries who are leading this movement: The investment managers putting trillions of dollars to work, like TPG, Wellington Management, State Street Global Advisors, Nuveen, Amundi, APG and Natixis; The asset owners driving the transition, like GPIF and PensionDanmark; A new generation of entrepreneurs benefiting from the investments, like DreamBox Learning, an innovative educational technology platform, and Goodlife Pharmacies, which is disrupting the traditional notion of a pharmacy; The corporations that are repurposing their business models to meet demand for sustainable products and services, like Ørsted; and The nonprofits that are reimagining how to raise money for their work while creating significant value for investors, like The Nature Conservancy. In their book, Rodin and Madsbjerg offer a deep look at the most powerful tools available today—and how they can be unlocked. They reveal: Who the investors are and what they want; How innovative products and investment strategies can deliver long-term value for investors while improving lives and protecting ecosystems; How leaders can build strategies and prepare their organizations to enter and expand this dynamic market; and How to measure impact, understand critical regulations, and avoid potential pitfalls. A roadmap to making the financial market a force for good, *Making Money Moral* is a must-read for those seeking private-sector capital to address a big problem, as well as those seeking both to mitigate risk and to

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invest in big solutions." Judith Rodin and Saadia Madsbjerg identify an important new way of looking at money: from the root of all evil to the fount of all solutions. Their timely, important book on impact investing is full of powerful insights and compelling examples they've seen firsthand. Their work will be sure to accelerate momentum toward a more sustainable world." —Rosabeth Moss Kanter, Harvard Business School Professor and Author of *Think Outside the Building: How Advanced Leaders Can Change the World One Smart Innovation at a Time*

"From the time John Lewis asked Dr. Martin Luther King to help integrate a segregated school in his hometown as teenager, he never stopped organizing, from Freedom Rides, to the marches in Selma and Washington, and more. Introduce readers to his concept of getting into "good trouble" in this Level 3 Ready-to-Read book"--

1952. Tasmania. The beautiful green, rolling hills of the dairy town Mole Creek have a dark underside — a labyrinthine underworld of tunnels that stretch for countless miles, caverns the size of cathedrals and underground rivers that flood after heavy rain. The caves are dangerous places, forbidden to children. But this is Tasmania — an island at the end of the earth. Here, rules are made to be broken. For two young brothers, a hidden cave a short walk from the family farm seems the perfect escape from their abusive, shell-shocked father — until the older brother goes missing. Fearful of his father, the younger and more vulnerable Kip lies about what happened. It is a decision that will haunt him his whole life. Fifty years later, Kip — now an award-winning scientist



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— has a young son of his own, but cannot look him without seeing his lost brother, Tommy. On a mission of atonement, he returns to the cave they called Kubla to discover if it's ever too late to have a second chance. To go back and set things right. To be the father you never had. Following the release of her hugely successful first novel *Pescador's Wake*, Katherine Johnson is back to share her exceptional writing talent with the world. *The Better Son* is a richly imaginative and universal story about the danger of secrets, the beauty of forgiveness and the enthralling power of our natural landscape.

The inspiring true story of mathematician Katherine Johnson--made famous by the award-winning film *Hidden Figures*--who counted and computed her way to NASA and helped put a man on the moon! Katherine knew it was wrong that African Americans didn't have the same rights as others--as wrong as  $5+5=12$ . She knew it was wrong that people thought women could only be teachers or nurses--as wrong as  $10-5=3$ . And she proved everyone wrong by zooming ahead of her classmates, starting college at fifteen, and eventually joining NASA, where her calculations helped pioneer America's first manned flight into space, its first manned orbit of Earth, and the world's first trip to the moon! Award-winning author Suzanne Slade and debut artist Veronica Miller Jamison tell the story of a NASA "computer" in this smartly written, charmingly illustrated biography.

Based on the New York Times bestselling book and the Academy Award–nominated

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movie, author Margot Lee Shetterly and Coretta Scott King Illustrator Honor Award winner Laura Freeman bring the incredibly inspiring true story of four black women who helped NASA launch men into space to picture book readers! Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson, Katherine Johnson, and Christine Darden were good at math...really good. They participated in some of NASA's greatest successes, like providing the calculations for America's first journeys into space. And they did so during a time when being black and a woman limited what they could do. But they worked hard. They persisted. And they used their genius minds to change the world. In this beautifully illustrated picture book edition, we explore the story of four female African American mathematicians at NASA, known as "colored computers," and how they overcame gender and racial barriers to succeed in a highly challenging STEM-based career. "Finally, the extraordinary lives of four African American women who helped NASA put the first men in space is available for picture book readers," proclaims Brightly in their article "18 Must-Read Picture Books of 2018." "Will inspire girls and boys alike to love math, believe in themselves, and reach for the stars." This nonfiction picture book is an excellent choice to share in the classroom or for homeschooling.

"This rich volume is a national treasure." —Kirkus Reviews (starred review)

"Captivating, informative, and inspiring...Easy to follow and hard to put down."

—School Library Journal (starred review) The inspiring autobiography of NASA mathematician Katherine Johnson, who helped launch Apollo 11. As a young girl,

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Katherine Johnson showed an exceptional aptitude for math. In school she quickly skipped ahead several grades and was soon studying complex equations with the support of a professor who saw great promise in her. But ability and opportunity did not always go hand in hand. As an African American and a girl growing up in an era of brutal racism and sexism, Katherine faced daily challenges. Still, she lived her life with her father's words in mind: "You are no better than anyone else, and nobody else is better than you." In the early 1950s, Katherine was thrilled to join the organization that would become NASA. She worked on many of NASA's biggest projects including the Apollo 11 mission that landed the first men on the moon. Katherine Johnson's story was made famous in the bestselling book and Oscar-nominated film *Hidden Figures*. Now in *Reaching for the Moon* she tells her own story for the first time, in a lively autobiography that will inspire young readers everywhere.

Angrboda's story begins where most witch's tales end: with a burning. A punishment from Odin for refusing to give him knowledge of the future, the fire leaves Angrboda injured and powerless, and she flees into a remote forest. There she is found by a man Loki, and her initial distrust grows into a deep and abiding love. Their union produces three unusual children, each with a secret destiny, who she is keen to raise at the hidden from Odin's all-seeing eye. But as

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Angrboda slowly recovers her prophetic powers, she learns that her blissful life - and possibly all of existence - is in danger.

Meet Katherine Johnson, a brilliant mathematician who worked at NASA in the early 1950s until retiring in 1986. Katherine's unparalleled calculations (done by hand) helped plan the trajectories for NASA's Mercury and Apollo missions (including the Apollo 11 moon landing). She is said to be one of the greatest American minds of all time.--

'A sobering and powerful read' Antonia Senior, *The Times Historical Fiction Book of the Month Fraser Island, Australia 1882*. The population of the Badtjala people is in sharp decline following a run of brutal massacres. When German scientist Louis Müller offers to sail three Badtjala people – Bonny, Jurano and Dorondera – to Europe to perform to huge crowds, the proud and headstrong Bonny agrees, hoping to bring his people's plight to the Queen of England. Accompanied by Müller's bright daughter, Hilda, the group begins their journey to belle-époque Europe to perform in Hamburg, Berlin, Paris and eventually London. While crowds in Europe are enthusiastic to see the unique dances, singing, fights and pole climbing from the oldest culture in the world, the attention is relentless, and the fascination of scientists intrusive. When disaster strikes, Bonny must find a way to return home. 'A masterful work, fully realised and richly embroidered'

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Alice Nelson, author of *The Children's House*

The bold story of an African-American mathematician who worked for NASA during the space race and was depicted in the film "Hidden Figures," and how she made sure that the crew of Apollo 13 returned home. Full color.

An NPR Best Book of 2018! Some people can do their homework. Some people get to have crushes on boys. Some people have other things they've got to do. Seventh-grader Zoey has her hands full as she takes care of her much younger siblings after school every day while her mom works her shift at the pizza parlor. Not that her mom seems to appreciate it. At least there's Lenny, her mom's boyfriend—they all get to live in his nice, clean trailer. At school, Zoey tries to stay under the radar. Her only friend Fuchsia has her own issues, and since they're in an entirely different world than the rich kids, it's best if no one notices them. Zoey thinks how much easier everything would be if she were an octopus: eight arms to do eight things at once. Incredible camouflage ability and steady, unblinking vision. Powerful protective defenses. Unfortunately, she's not totally invisible, and one of her teachers forces her to join the debate club. Even though Zoey resists participating, debate ultimately leads her to see things in a new way: her mom's relationship with Lenny, Fuchsia's situation, and her own place in this town of people who think they're better than her. Can Zoey find the courage to speak up,

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even if it means risking the most stable home she's ever had? This moving debut novel explores the cultural divides around class and the gun debate through the eyes of one girl, living on the edges of society, trying to find her way forward. Get to know some of the many people who have changed history with this value pack featuring six fascinating, nonfiction Level 3 Ready-to-Reads that are part of a series of biographies about people "you should meet!" Get to know a Broadway composer, amazing kid environmentalists and activists, a four-time Olympic gold medalist, the father of modern surfing, and a NASA mathematician with these six books in the You Should Meet series! A special section at the back of each book includes extras on subjects like history and math, plus fun trivia facts on the Olympics, the history of Puerto Rico, and more! With the You Should Meet series, learning about influential people has never been so much fun! This paperback value pack includes: Lin-Manuel Miranda Kids Who Are Saving the Planet Jesse Owens Kids Who Are Changing the World Duke Kahanamoku Katherine Johnson

This sweet, rhyming counting book introduces young readers to numbers one through 15 as Grandma's family and friends fill her tiny house on Brown Street. Full color.

As a child, Katherine loved to count. She counted the steps on the road, the number of

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dishes and spoons she washed in the kitchen sink - everything she could. Boundless, curious, and excited by calculations, young Katherine longed to know as much as she could about maths, about the universe... From Katherine's early beginnings as a gifted student to her heroic accomplishments as a prominent mathematician at NASA, this is the true story of a groundbreaking African-American woman who went above and beyond what was expected of her in the 1960s.

Book Features: • 24 pages, 10 inches x 8 inches • Ages 6-9, Grades 1-3 leveled readers • Simple, easy-to-read pages with illustrations • Features vocabulary and comprehension and extension activities • Includes reading tips, a timeline, and a glossary

The Magic Of Reading: Prepare to take off into a reading adventure that is out of this world with *Women in Science and Technology: Katherine Johnson*—a 24-page biography of the NASA mathematician who helped launch some of the first space flights. *Hands-On Reading Adventure: The first launch into space was nothing short of extraordinary, and neither was NASA mathematician Katherine Johnson. Follow along on Katherine's journey, paving the way for the first flights and exploration into space.*

Features: More than just an exciting book about space exploration, this kids book also includes a vocabulary list, reading tips for interaction and engagement, and extension and comprehension activities. A glossary and timeline are also included.

Leveled Books: Vibrant illustrations and leveled text work together to engage readers and promote reading comprehension skills. This leveled book engages 1st—3rd graders

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through new vocabulary and high-interest topics like space exploration. Why Rourke Educational Media: Since 1980, Rourke Publishing Company has specialized in publishing engaging and diverse non-fiction and fiction books for children in a wide range of subjects that support reading success on a level that has no limits.

Meet the environmentally-minded kids who are coming up with ways to save the planet in this fascinating nonfiction Level 3 Ready-to-Read, part of a series of biographies about people “you should meet!” Have you ever wondered what you could do to help the planet? Find out how kids are helping the environment by selling lemonade to save the honeybees, starting a petition to bring attention to climate change, raising awareness through an original comic book hero, and more! Learn all about how their ideas are preserving the environment in this story of five amazing kids everyone should meet! A special section at the back of the book includes extras such as biographies of famous young environmental activists plus interesting ideas for other ways that kids can save the environment. With the You Should Meet series, learning about amazing people has never been so much fun!

“A detail-rich picture book.” —Kirkus Reviews “Straightforward and inviting.” —School Library Journal From award-winning author Lesa Cline-Ransome and acclaimed illustrator Raúl Colón comes the sensitive, informative, and inspiring picture book biography of the remarkable mathematician Katherine Johnson, one of the NASA “human computers” whose work was critical to the first US space launch. Before John



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Glenn orbited the Earth or astronauts walked on the moon, a group of dedicated female mathematicians known as “human computers” used their knowledge, pencils, adding machines, and writing paper to calculate the orbital mechanics needed to launch spacecraft. Katherine Johnson was one of these mathematicians who used trajectories and complex equations to chart the space program. Even as Virginia’s Jim Crow laws were in place in the early 1950s, Katherine worked analyzing data at the NACA (later NASA) Langley laboratory. In 1962, as NASA prepared for the orbital mission of John Glenn, Katherine Johnson was called upon and John Glenn said “get the girl” (Katherine Johnson) to run the numbers by hand to chart the complexity of the orbital flight. He knew that his flight couldn’t work without her unique skills. President Barack Obama awarded Katherine Johnson the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2015 and her incredible life inspired the Oscar-nominated film *Hidden Figures*. Get to know this incredible and inspirational woman with this beautifully illustrated picture book from an award-winning duo.

In 1969 history was made when the first humans stepped on the moon. Back on earth, one woman was running the numbers that ensured they got there and back in one piece. As a child, Katherine Johnson loved maths. She went on to be one of the most important people in the history of space travel. Discover her incredible life story in this beautifully illustrated book complete with narrative biography, timelines and facts. Sprint around the track and get to know Jesse Owens in this fascinating, nonfiction

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Level 3 Ready-to-Read, part of a new series of biographies about people “you should meet.” Meet Jesse Owens, an African American runner who won four gold medals at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin! What made his achievement even more memorable was that Adolph Hitler expected the Olympic Games to be a German showcase. In fact, he criticized the United States for even including black athletes on its Olympic roster. According to many reports, after Owens won his fourth gold medal, Hitler stormed out of the stadium. In 1936 Jesse Owens took a stand against racism and made history. A special section at the back of the book includes extras on subjects like history and math, plus a short article filled with interesting facts about the Olympics. With the You Should Meet series, learning about historical figures has never been so fascinating! Audisee® eBooks with Audio combine professional narration and sentence highlighting to engage reluctant readers! What do you want to be when you grow up? When Katherine Johnson was young, women weren't expected to go into the math and science fields. Johnson loved math, but she never thought she could be a mathematician. After studying math in school and teaching for a few years, she learned that the organization that would later become NASA was hiring women to complete mathematical equations. As an African American woman, Johnson had to work hard to earn the respect of her coworkers, but they soon came to rely on her brilliant calculations. Her contributions to the US space program helped send astronauts to the moon. Learn how Johnson broke barriers as a female African American mathematician.

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Meet six incredible women in this boxed set featuring fascinating, nonfiction Level 3 Ready-to-Reads that are part of a series of biographies about people “you should meet”! Get to know Roberta Gibb, the first female Boston marathon runner; Misty Copeland, the first African American prima ballerina for the American Ballet Theater; Katherine Johnson, one of the first African American female scientists to work for NASA, whose mathematical calculations helped the Apollo 11 program land the first astronauts on the moon; Mae Jemison, the first female African American astronaut; Ruth Bader Ginsburg, who is still serving as a Supreme Court justice at age eighty-seven; and Shirley Chisholm, who in 1972 became the first African American woman to enter a Democratic presidential race! A special section at the back of each book includes extras on subjects like ballet and space, plus fun trivia facts on marathons, the justice system, and more! With the You Should Meet series, biographies have never been so much fun! This collection includes the following six books: Roberta Gibb Misty Copeland Katherine Johnson Mae Jemison Ruth Bader Ginsburg Shirley Chisholm Pirouette across the stage and get to know Misty Copeland—the first African-American woman to become a principal ballerina with the American Ballet Theater—in this fascinating, nonfiction Level 3 Ready-to-Read, part of a new series of biographies about people “you should meet.” Misty Copeland had always dreamed of becoming a dancer, but she had many obstacles to overcome before she could reach her dream. Although she was always challenged by the

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things that set her apart from other dancers, with a lot of hard work, dedication, and exceptional talent, Misty has become one of the most well-known dancers in America. On June 30, 2015 Misty stepped on stage as the first female African-American principal dancer for the American Ballet Theater and made history! A special section at the back of the book includes extras on subjects like history and math, plus a fun timeline filled with interesting trivia facts about dance. With the You Should Meet series, learning about historical figures has never been so fascinating!

Get to know some of the many people who have changed history with this boxed set featuring six fascinating, nonfiction Level 3 Ready-to-Reads that are part of a series of biographies about people “you should meet!” Get to know the first women computer programmers, the first African-American principal dancer at the American Ballet Theater, an incredible Olympic gold medalist who broke records and barriers, the first female African-American astronaut, the amazing “Father of Surfing,” and one of the greatest mathematicians of all time with the first six books in the You Should Meet series! A special section at the back of each book includes extras on subjects like history and math, plus fun trivia facts on ballet, computer programming, and more! With the You Should Meet series, learning about historical figures has never been so much fun! This collection includes:

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Women Who Launched the Computer Age Mae Jemison Jesse Owens Misty Copeland Duke Kahanomoku Katherine Johnson

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A biography of Mae Jemison, the first female African-American astronaut.--Provided by publisher.

From award-winning children's author, Leila Rasheed, *Katherine Johnson, A Life Story* is the perfect way for readers to discover the fascinating facts and inspirational moments from the life of the extraordinary NASA mathematician, Katherine Johnson. This gripping new series throws the reader directly into the lives of modern society's most influential figures. With striking black-and-white

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illustration along with timelines and neverheard-before facts, children are sure to enjoy each title in the Life Story rang.

Get to know Shirley Chisholm, the first African American woman to enter the Democratic presidential race, in this fascinating nonfiction Level 3 Ready-to-Read, part of a series of biographies about people “you should meet!” Meet Shirley Chisholm. In 1968, Shirley Chisholm made history as the first African American woman elected to Congress. That same year, Shirley was voted one of the ten most admired women in the world. She also ran for president in 1972, the first African American woman to do so for one of the two big political parties. Shirley showed people it shouldn’t matter if you’re male or female or what the color of your skin is, everyone should be able to pursue their dreams. She lived out her life determined to be “unbossed and unbought” and remained a spokesperson for change. To this day she is still an inspiration to everyone who dreams of breaking boundaries. A special section at the back of the book includes extras like an article on how voting works and a brief lesson on the three branches of US government.

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