Amelia to Zora

Twenty-six Women Who Changed the World

A RIF GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES

Themes: Hard Work, Perseverance, Women in

History

Grade Level: 3rd to 5th grade

Book Brief: This book introduces an alphabet of

female artists, explorers, inventors, and activists who made an important

impact on our world.

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TIME TO READ!

Before reading, build background: Many important women in history are less famous and respected than men who did the same

things. Why? How can we change this?

While reading, make comparisons: This book will work best if you read about a few women at a time

rather than all at once. As you read, compare the women. What do they have in common?

After reading, ask questions:

- Which of the women do you think was bravest?
- Which one is most like you? How so?
- Which woman would you most want to be like when you grow up? Why?

RELATED ACTIVITIES

EASY ALPHABET SOUP

Ingredients: 1 cup chicken broth or vegetable stock, 1 1/2 cups tomato sauce, 1 cup alphabet noodles (cooked), 1 cup chopped vegetables (carrots, potatoes, etc.), 1 cup frozen corn, 1 T. oil

In a saucepan, sauté vegetables and oil over medium heat. Add broth and bring to a boil. Add tomato sauce and cooked pasta; stir well. Add corn and let simmer for 1-2 minutes. Salt and pepper to taste. Enjoy!

FLYING HIGH

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airplane designs. Experiment to see which design flies farthest. Why?

SCRAP BOOK

Materials: paper, glue, scissors, scrap material

The pictures in this book are clever collages made out of materials related to each of the women. For example, Lena Horne's portrait is made of sheet music. Make a collage portrait of yourself using scrap materials that relate to you or things you like to do.

TECHNOLOGY LINK

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

OTHER BOOKS BY THIS AUTHOR

Akira to Zoltan (2006), A Is for Asia (1996), A Is for the Americas (1999).

