

# The Mini Page

Educational Standards and Suggested Activities for Teachers

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Standards Spotlight: Honoring History

Mini Page activities meet many state and national educational standards. Each week we identify standards that relate to The Mini Page's content and offer activities that will help your students reach them.

## **This week's standard:**

- Students use biographies and stories to understand the individuals who are honored by the nation. (Social Studies: History)

## **Activities:**

1. In the newspaper, circle stories about African-American leaders in your community, state or country. What areas do these people represent?
2. Make a set of African-American history trading cards. Write a word for events or places that represent progress for African-Americans. On the back, list the name(s) of African-Americans who contributed to progress in that area. Share your cards with friends.
3. In the newspaper, find three African-Americans who are successful in different fields. Write a sentence about each.
4. Who are these people honored for their contributions to our country: (a) a former slave who became a great speaker and writer, (b) a man who produced better food crops, (c) a man who founded the first college for black students, and (d) the first black military pilots?
5. Find an African-American leader today who might be or is now honored by the country. Research the person's background and write about him or her: one paragraph about the background and one paragraph about the person's good works today.

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