

Before-reading questions

- 1 *Reader's own answer.*
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During-reading questions

CHAPTER ONE: DR HAWA ABDI

- 1 Because she wants to heal people and save women like her mother.

CHAPTER TWO: MUHAMMAD ALI

- 1 Because it was the name of a slave.
- 2 Because he does not want to fight in the Vietnam War, and some people do not like this.

CHAPTER THREE: RUFAIDA AL-ASLAMIYA

- 1 She learns from her father. He is a doctor. She also studies for years.

CHAPTER FOUR: KHAWLAH BINT AL-AZWAR

- 1 Yes, because she is a brave and skilled soldier.

CHAPTER FIVE: AYUBA SULEIMAN DIALLO

- 1 Because many people read Bluett's book, and it changes their way of thinking. They have to learn that slavery is wrong and that black people are humans, too.

CHAPTER SIX: FATIMA AL-FIHRI

- 1 Because she wants to give free education to everyone.

CHAPTER SEVEN: SIR MO FARAH

- 1 His sports teacher, Mr Watkinson. He gives Mo an Arsenal shirt, so Mo agrees to try running.

CHAPTER EIGHT: HASAN IBN AL-HAYTHAM

- 1 Because he thinks that Al-Hakim might kill him.

CHAPTER NINE: ZHENG HE

- 1 He wants him to tell everyone that Zhe Di is now emperor.

CHAPTER TEN: SAYYIDA AL-HURRA

- 1 Because Spain becomes Christian, and it is dangerous for Muslims to stay there.

CHAPTER ELEVEN: NADIYA HUSSAIN

- 1 Her husband writes to *The Great British Bake Off* television programme. She becomes part of the competition.
- 2 Because she says things that make people laugh, and they love her funny faces.

CHAPTER TWELVE: SHAH JAHAN

- 1 He is walking through a market, and he sees a beautiful girl.
- 2 Because his wife dies, and he wants to make the most beautiful building in the world for her body.

CHAPTER THIRTEEN: DR ABDUL KALAM

- 1 Because he shows everyone that a poor boy can become the leader of his country.

CHAPTER FOURTEEN: NOOR INAYAT KHAN

- 1 She is quiet and studies a lot.

CHAPTER FIFTEEN: MUHAMMAD IBN MUSA AL-KHWARIZMI

- 1 Because Baghdad is a centre for learning, and he goes there to become a scholar.

CHAPTER SIXTEEN: ILHAN OMAR

- 1 Because there is fighting between the Somali people and not enough food to eat. Soldiers want to kill the men in her family.

CHAPTER SEVENTEEN: JALALUDDIN MUHAMMAD RUMI

- 1 Because they become great friends, and they are always together. They think the same way, and they talk the same way.

CHAPTER EIGHTEEN: MALCOLM X

- 1 He understands that empowerment can start with peace. He leaves the Nation of Islam and tries to learn more about the real religion of Islam.

CHAPTER NINETEEN: MALALA YOUSAFZAI

- 1 Because poor people sometimes need the whole family to work to get enough food.
- 2 Malala begins to write stories on the internet about her life with the Taliban. They do not like this and want her to keep quiet.

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- 4 **Example answer:** Rumi and Noor Inayat Khan are both Sufis. Khawlah and Sayyida are both leaders and fighters.

Exercises

CHAPTER ONE

- 1 In the 1950s, Hawa was a child.
- 2 In the 1990s, a war started in Somalia.
- 3 Soldiers killed 14,000 people in Hawa's city.
- 4 The fighting hurt about 27,000 people.

- 5 About 200,000 people had to leave their homes.
- 6 There were 400 beds in Hawa's hospital.
- 7 Hawa helped 90,000 of her people.
- 8 In 2010, soldiers took Hawa away.

CHAPTER TWO

- 1 c Cassius met Joe Martin, **because** someone stole his bike.
- 2 a He was afraid of flying, **so** he did not want to go to San Francisco.
- 3 e He went to Rome, **and** he won a gold medal.
- 4 b He became interested in Islam, **because** he was looking for answers to important questions.
- 5 d He did not want to fight in Vietnam, **so** some people were angry with him.

CHAPTERS ONE TO FOUR

- 1 soldier
- 2 boxer
- 3 healer
- 4 leader
- 5 enemy

CHAPTERS FIVE AND SIX

- 4 A ¹Muslim person follows the ²religion of Islam. The most important book to a Muslim is the ³Quran. Muslims may go to a special place called a ⁴mosque to ⁵pray.

CHAPTERS SEVEN AND EIGHT

- 1 false
- 2 false
- 3 true
- 4 false
- 5 true
- 6 false
- 7 false
- 8 true

CHAPTER NINE

- 6 One day, soldiers ¹came into Ma He's home and ²took him away. He ³had to work for Zhe Di, the emperor's son. He ⁴grew older and ⁵became strong and tall. Ma He ⁶fought to help Zhe Di become emperor. He easily ⁷won

against his enemies. Zhe Di ⁸**gave** Ma He a new name, Zheng He, and he ⁹**built** 300 ships for Zheng He to lead. Soon, people around the world ¹⁰**knew** that China was an important country because of Zheng He.

CHAPTERS NINE TO TWELVE

- 7 1 g 2 f 3 h 4 b
5 a 6 c 7 d 8 e

CHAPTERS THIRTEEN AND FOURTEEN

8 Dr Abdul Kalam

- 1 What did Abdul do after university?
He became a scientist in India's space research team.
- 2 When did he become President?
He became president in 2002.
- 3 Why did he become a teacher?
Because he wanted to help his students have better lives.

Noor Inayat Khan

- 4 Where was Noor born?
She was born in Moscow, Russia.
- 5 Which country were France and Britain / Britain and France fighting against?
They were fighting against Germany.
- 6 When did she die?
She died on 13 September 1944.

CHAPTER FIFTEEN

- 9 1 Muhammad Al-Khwarizmi was a **scholar** in Baghdad.
- 2 He lived near the end of the **8th** century.
- 3 His great talent was **mathematics**.
- 4 He borrowed an old **Indian** idea that zero was a real number with a special symbol.
- 5 Soon, all **Islamic** countries were using the new 0–9 numbers.
- 6 The word "**algebra**" comes from the name of his famous book about mathematical symbols.

CHAPTERS SIXTEEN TO NINETEEN

- 10 1 **Ilhan** lived in a refugee camp.
- 2 **Rumi** needed to write down ideas and feelings.
- 3 **Malcolm** loved listening to his father's stories.
- 4 **Ilhan** wanted to be in the US government.
- 5 **Malala** wanted to go to school.
- 6 **Malcolm** was in trouble with the police.
- 7 **Rumi** gave advice to people from all over the city.
- 8 **Malala** won the Nobel Peace Prize.

- 11 1 dangerous
- 2 political
- 3 education
- 4 powerful
- 5 bravery
- 6 enslaved
- 7 peaceful
- 8 freedom

Project work

Reader's own answers.