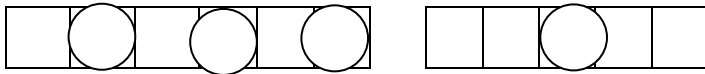


2021 Black History Month Word Scramble



The Black family has been a topic of study in many disciplines—history, literature, the visual arts and film studies, sociology, anthropology, and social policy. Its representation, identity, and diversity have been revered, stereotyped, and vilified from the days of slavery to our own time. The Black family knows no single location, since family reunions and genetic-ancestry searches testify to the spread of family members across states, nations, and continents. Not only are individual Black families diasporic, but Africa and the diaspora itself have been long portrayed as the Black family at large. While the role of the Black family has been described by some as a microcosm of the entire race, its complexity is the “foundation” of African American life. The family offers a rich tapestry of images for exploring the African American past and present. This word scramble highlights African American families and familial history. When you are finished answering the clues, unscramble the circled letters to find the 2021 theme for Black History Month. (Answers at the bottom.)

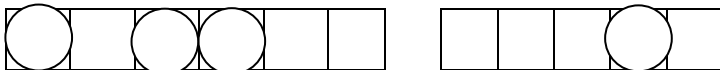
1. Genetic-ancestry websites or databases are primarily used to research family lineage often referred to as this.



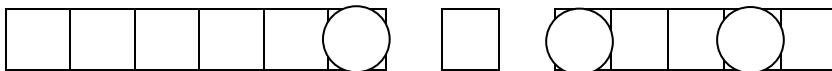
2. This African American author wrote the novel *Roots: The Saga of an American Family* released in 1976.



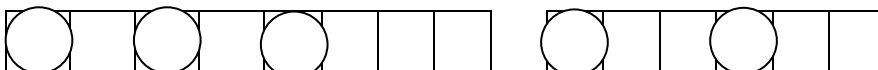
3. This American politician served as the 44th president of the United States. He and his family lived in the White House from 2009 to 2017.



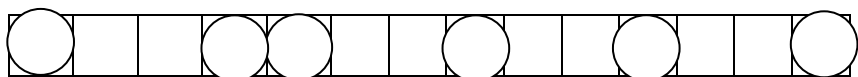
4. This family man and politician was the second African American elected to serve as Washington State Representative (1958-1967) and enjoyed a rich 24-year career as the first African American member of the Seattle City Council (1967-1991). He and his wife raised six children.



5. This Washington State Congresswoman worked for 6.5 years in the Washington Commerce Department as the Director of the Military and Defense Sector, where she helped foster economic opportunities for military families, veterans, and the community.



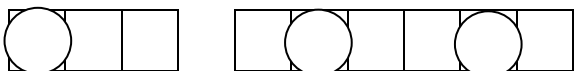
6. Research has highlighted the role of this in the labor market and educational system in preventing Black families from accumulating wealth at the same rate as white families.



7. Families in which children reside with and are being raised by grandparents, other extended family members, and/or adults with whom they have a close family-like relationship, such as godparents and close family friends, are referred to as this.



8. This American family is known as a family of gospel music artists from Detroit, Michigan.



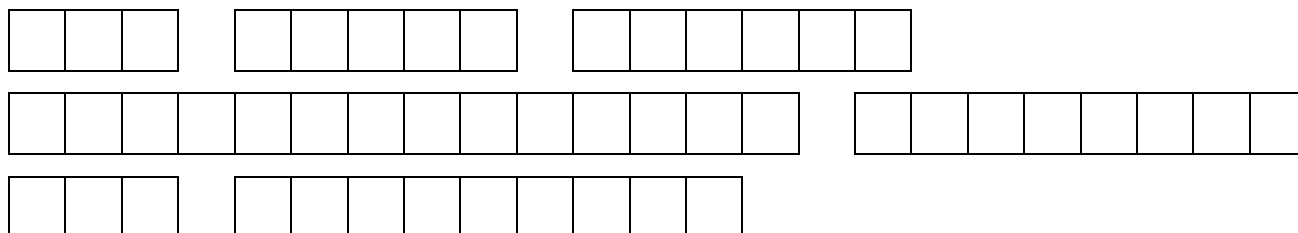
9. This band from San Francisco, California was popular from 1966 to 1983, and consisted of brothers Sylvester and Freddie, sister Rose Stewart, along with Greg Errico, Cynthia Robinson, Jerry Martini, and Larry Graham. They were the first major band to have a racially integrated male and female lineup.



10. This father of seven, from the Pacific Northwest, is also an acclaimed record producer, multi-instrumentalist, songwriter, composer, arranger, and film and television producer whose career spans over 60 years in the entertainment industry.



Unscramble the circled letters:



Answers to Black History Month Word Scramble

Scrambled Word: The Black Family: Representation, Identity, and Diversity.

(1) Family Trees; (2) Alex Haley; (3) Barack Obama; (4) Samuel J. Smith; (5) Kristine Reeves; (6) Discrimination; (7) Kinship Families; (8) The Winans; (9) Sly and the Family Stone; (10) Quincy D. Jones