

# SAT Writing & Language Test Self-Assessment

## Mary Eliza Mahoney

African Americans' feats are now taught in schools more than at any point in our nation's history, individuals such as George Washington Carver, Rosa Parks, and Thurgood Marshall are now standard elements in US History curriculum and not simply relegated to being taught in February. In other words, despite this notable progress, critics assert that parity in curricular focus has not yet been achieved by minority groups, with the regular omission of people such as Jean Baptiste Point du Sable founder of Chicago and Lewis Latimer, an assistant to Thomas Edison whose work on filaments made light bulbs last longer than a few days. In this same sense, there is yet another African American whose contribution to American society is regularly missed in US History classes Mary Eliza Mahoney.

1. A. NO CHANGE  
B. African American's feats  
C. African American feat  
D. African Americans feats
2. A. NO CHANGE  
B. nations history; individuals  
C. nation's history individuals  
D. nation's history; individuals
3. A. NO CHANGE  
B. Therefore,  
C. However,  
D. Hence,
4. A. NO CHANGE  
B. Sable, founder of Chicago, and  
C. Sable, founder of Chicago - and  
D. Sable, founder of Chicago, and,
5. A. NO CHANGE  
B. US History classes: Mary Eliza Mahoney  
C. US History classes' Mary Eliza Mahoney  
D. US History classes; Mary Eliza Mahoney

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Ms. Mahoney's accomplishments are numerous; the first African American woman accepted into nursing school, cofounder of the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses, and even the first woman to register to vote in Boston, Massachusetts. A textbook's omission of a person who has been inducted into both the American Association of Nurses Hall of Fame as well as the National Women's Hall of Fame is questionable at best and upsetting at worst. The real question that must be asked, if we are willing to even face it, is "how many Mary Eliza Mahoneys have lived whose existence we do not know?" Ultimately, its the responsibility of not just historians, but everyone to discover the Mary Eliza Mahoneys of the world and make there accomplishments known.

6. A. NO CHANGE  
B. numerous the first  
C. numerous, the first,  
D. numerous: the first
7. A. NO CHANGE  
B. A textbooks' omission  
C. A textbooks omission  
D. A textbook omission's
8. A. NO CHANGE  
B. must be asked - if we are willing to even face it, is  
C. must be asked if we are willing to even face it is  
D. must be asked; if we are willing to even face it is
9. A. NO CHANGE  
B. it was  
C. it's  
D. it would have been
10. A. NO CHANGE  
B. they're  
C. its  
D. their

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Answers:

1. A
2. D
3. C
4. B
5. B
6. D
7. A
8. A
9. C
10. D

