



Presents:

An Informational Guide for Incorporating “A Few Minutes Facts” Into Important Youth and Adult Conversations





What is A Few Minutes Facts?

Unlock the power that comes from knowing about amazing people and understanding their important stories. “**A Few Minutes Facts**” is an inspiring collection of such people and their stories that has been developed especially for young readers. The collection is an invaluable tool for parents and educators alike.

With parent, caregiver or teacher guidance, the stories serve as an invite for youth to reflect on the complexities of human experiences and the impact one individual can have on their local community and on society at-large.

These stories are meant to spark exploratory thinking and advance a deeper understanding of historical contexts while promoting critical thinking about contemporary issues.

While crafted to be read and understood by youth in approximately the 5th grade and up, **A Few Minutes Facts** is for parents, caregivers and educators interested in bringing important stories that are often overlooked and untold in many curriculums.

A Few Minutes Facts is for those who are interested in resources that actively explore and uplift diverse thought leadership perspectives which have meaningfully added to local, national, and global discourses.

Parents, caregivers, and educators will find **A Few Minutes Facts** helpful for enriching cross-curricular and cross-cultural learning, while also highlighting that there are a variety of ways in which character is built, and integrity is demonstrated.

In a world where many forms of knowledge has always been power, parents, caregivers, or teachers can empower youth with illuminating knowledge about noteworthy groups and individuals across history and the globe who have made significant contributions to our world.

A Few Minutes Facts isn't just a collection of stories—in just a few minutes per story, it's a step in a journey to understanding resilience, innovation, empathy, and courage that fueled their journey. They are stories to pique the reader's curiosity to find out more about these fascinating figures lives.

A Few Minutes Facts are stories to motivate young readers to begin thinking about how they will build their own game-changing legacy.

The **A Few Minutes Facts** collection of short stories is an ideal resource for a parent, caregiver or teacher who is interested in conveying to youths in their life, how the world evolves from



understanding diverse histories, tackling social issues, pursuing professional and personal development, and innovating in arts and humanities.

Whether in the classroom or at home, these stories serve as launchpads for meaningful conversations about social justice, historical context, innovation, and the power of personal integrity.

Through vivid, engaging narratives, children are invited to step into the shoes of inspiring individuals like young readers will encounter changemakers like **Claudette Colvin**, who stood against injustice, and **Helen Keller** who advocated for people with disabilities.

From **Maria Tallchief's** elevation of ballet to **Richard Branson's** journey of overcoming dyslexia to becoming an innovative businessman—each story makes learning both meaningful and memorable by blending factual information with imaginative narrative— about people who overcame obstacles, challenged injustice, and sparked real change.

This approach engages readers and encourages deeper exploration, discussion, and reflection.

Key Lessons

To help their curiosity unfold, **Key Lessons** with concise, actionable insights that distill the values and decisions of these real-life action takers are included in every story.

These lessons are great resources for social-emotional learning, helping youth relate challenges to their own experiences and guiding them in developing emotional intelligence, empathetic inquiry, and mindfulness.

Each narrative reminds readers that ordinary people can do extraordinary things, and that bringing about change for the betterment of humanity often begins with one brave voice wanting better for the world and taking action to lend their talents to improve it.

Reading Comprehension Worksheet

Each “A Few Minutes Facts” story comes with a reading comprehension worksheet based on the story.

Each worksheet may include all or a selection of the following:

- True and False questions
- Multiple choice questions
- A creative writing prompt
- A creative drawing prompt



Why Choose A Few Minutes Facts

1. **Engaging Narratives:** Each story is crafted with care to captivate young minds. We weave together facts and imaginative elements that bring historical figures to life, making learning both fun and memorable.

2. **Diverse Representation:** Our collection features a wide range of characters from various backgrounds and cultures. From inventors and scientists to activists and artists, children will discover the rich tapestry of human experience that has contributed to our shared history.

3. **Educational Value:** These stories are not just entertaining; they are packed with Key Lessons and facts that foster critical thinking. Young readers will learn about perseverance, innovation, bravery, and selflessness through the lens of real-life people demonstrating courage and determination to make their dreams a reality.

4. **Inspiration for Future Generations:** By reading about these extraordinary individuals, children will be inspired to dream big and pursue their passions. They'll see that for some, greatness often begins with small steps taken during childhood!

5. **Perfect for Home or Classroom:** Whether you're a parent looking to enrich your child's reading experience or a teacher seeking engaging materials for your classroom, "short story for kids" is an invaluable resource that sparks curiosity and discussion.

6. **Beautifully Illustrated:** Each story is accompanied by a vibrant illustration done as an abstract portrait of the individual featured in the story.

7. **Discussion Starters:** Discussions with youth can deepen understanding and inspire further exploration into the lives of these fascinating figures and more awareness.

What A Few Minutes Facts are not

A Few Minutes Facts are not complete biographies of the individuals featured in the series but rather provide glimpses into a pivotal moment or trait that inspired, prompted, or defined personal and professional challenges faced by these figures. The stories highlight that greatness often comes not from perfection, but from perseverance and purpose.

These stories are for those that want to expand their knowledge and awareness of people who have contributed to humanity across cultures and across the world.



Please note that while some of the figures presented in the series were subjected to the worst of humanity's impulses, we take care not to be graphic in telling their stories.

A Few Minutes Facts series does not contain graphic depictions of violence or profanity. We believe that necessary details can be told about a figure's story and contributions in non-graphic ways.

However, we do advocate that key details about an individual's experiences, living and life conditions should be further explored in order to achieve a comprehensive understanding of just how extraordinary they needed to be to overcome adversity.

Educational. Inspiring. Conscious.

What sets this collection apart is the *Key Lessons* woven into each story. These actionable insights distill the essence of the featured individual's journey and offer simple, relatable ways for young readers to apply these teachings in their own lives.

Whether it's developing resilience, standing up for justice, or fostering empathy, each takeaway encourages children to reflect, grow, and engage meaningfully with the world around them.

What's Inside:

- Blended factual history and creative storytelling
- Diverse stories of people from history and today
- Relatable characters that face adversity, challenges, and triumphs
- Key Lessons at the end of every story for real-life application
- Perfect for teaching social-emotional learning, critical thinking, and empathy

Why Parents & Teachers Will Love "A Few Minutes Facts":

- Great for classroom read-aloud and at-home discussions
- Encourages meaningful conversations about justice, kindness, and growth
- Promotes curiosity and deeper engagement with history and the diverse experiences of people
- Inspires children and youth to see themselves as future change-agents



Whether you're building character at home or integrating diverse narratives into your curriculum, "A Few Minutes Facts" is a ready-to-use resource that opens doors to discovery.

The narratives reflect the complexities of each individual—showing that greatness often includes personal struggles, failures, and perseverance. They present a more human, relatable view of figures who helped shape the world, revealing that imperfection does not preclude impact.

How to incorporate into educational efforts.

Use the stories as:

- ✓ Breakfast time discussion starters
 - ✓ Literacy and history connections
 - ✓ Social-emotional learning prompts
 - ✓ Family or classroom conversation starters
 - ✓ Dinner time discussion starters
 - ✓ Supplements to educational efforts at home school or in the classroom
-

Help the kids in your care grow into thoughtful, confident, and compassionate global citizens—one short story at a time.

Available now in flipbook format for a page-turning book-like experience!

If you are a school or organization and would like information on a subscription service, please contact us to discuss the details.

Thank you for your support!