

OPRAH WINFREY READING COMPREHENSION ANSWER KEY

1. According to the text, what works of art inspired Oprah Winfrey?
 - a. **Writing by African American females**
 - b. Movies based on the lives of journalists
 - c. Paintings by African Americans
 - d. Plays about small towns

2. Which of these is an effect of Winfrey's show *AM Chicago* being so popular?
 - a. She became a news anchor in Nashville
 - b. She read a book that changed her life
 - c. **The name was changed to *The Oprah Winfrey Show***
 - d. She produced and acted in several movies

3. Oprah Winfrey achieved things that no African American woman had achieved before. What evidence from the text supports this conclusion?
 - a. "Today, Oprah Winfrey's career is not only in television. She has produced and acted in several movies. These include *The Color Purple* and *Beloved*."
 - b. **"Winfrey was born in Kosciusko, Mississippi in 1954. When she was 20, she became the first African American female to host TV news."**
 - c. "She was the anchor at WTVF-TV in Nashville, Tennessee. After moving to Chicago, Winfrey began hosting a morning TV program. At first, it was called *AM Chicago*."
 - d. "Winfrey has won many Emmy Awards for her talk show. She has become one of the most popular, powerful, and influential African Americans of our time."

4. Based on the text, why did Winfrey most likely produce the movies *The Color Purple* and *Beloved*?
 - a. Those were her favorite books as a child
 - b. **They were books that inspired her**
 - c. She thought they would make a lot of money
 - d. She liked the titles of the books