

### Black Canadian Trailblazing Women

**Title:** Three Black Canadian Trailblazing Women

**Subtitle:** Research and Report

**Duration:** 4-5 classes

**Best Courses Fit:** Leadership, History, English

**Part A.** Visit the following site and read about Mary Ann Shadd Cary before completing the graphic organizer.

<https://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/mary-ann-shadd>

<b>Name</b>	<b>Background Information</b> (birth, childhood, family life)
<b>Important Early Influences</b>	<b>Leadership Qualities</b>

<b>Accomplishments/Impact</b>	<b>Examples of Resilience and Agency</b>
<b>Adult Life</b>	<b>Interesting Information</b>
<b>If Mary Ann Shadd Cary were alive today, what changes would she make in society?</b>	

**Part B.** Visit the following site and read about Rose Fortune before completing the graphic organizer.

<https://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/rose-fortune>

<b>Name</b>	<b>Background Information</b> (birth, childhood, family life)
<b>Important Early Influences</b>	<b>Leadership Qualities</b>

<b>Accomplishments/Impact</b>	<b>Examples of Resilience and Agency</b>
<b>Adult Life</b>	<b>Interesting Information</b>
<b>If Rose Fortune were alive today, what changes would she make in society?</b>	

**Part C.** Visit the following site and read about Viola Desmond before completing the graphic organizer.

<https://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/viola-desmond>

<b>Name</b>	<b>Background Information</b> (birth, childhood, family life)
<b>Important Early Influences</b>	<b>Leadership Qualities</b>

<b>Accomplishments/Impact</b>	<b>Examples of Resilience and Agency</b>
<b>Adult Life</b>	<b>Interesting Information</b>
<b>If Viola Desmond were alive today, what changes would she make in society?</b>	

**Part D.**

**Children's Book Assignment**

You are going to write a children's book that tells the story of one of the woman trailblazers you studied. This book will be for children from 6 to 9 years old. You will need to think of a creative title and a way to tell their story in a limited amount of words because children's books are not lengthy. Your goal is to write about the most important parts of their story though kid-friendly language. Vibrant illustrations will help to bring the story to life.

Some details to consider including:

- her name
- her background
- her challenges
- examples of resilience and agency
- her accomplishments
- her impact
- lessons to learn from her
- how she should be remembered

<b>Project Requirements</b>	
Visual	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) cover page with title, illustration and authors listed</li><li>2) 8-10 illustrations</li></ol>
Text	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) the text for your story should be connected to the illustrations</li><li>2) the text should highlight the most important aspects of the person's life</li><li>3) the story must have a clear beginning, middle and end</li></ol>
Format	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Your book can be done on paper or digitally. Options include: Google Slides, Google Docs, Jamboard, or PowerPoint.</li><li>2) You may also search for websites that allow the user to create digital books.</li></ol>

**Steps:**

1. Choose the format you'd like to use to create your story.
2. Keep in mind that the story is for children (6-9 years old).
3. Choose a creative title that is related to the person's life experiences.
4. Choose a style of writing that best suits your needs.
5. Have a clear beginning, middle and end.
6. Make your characters relatable, accurate, and engaging.
7. Make the story appealing for young children.
8. Proofread and edit your work.
9. Illustrate your book with colourful, vibrant images that are connected to the story.



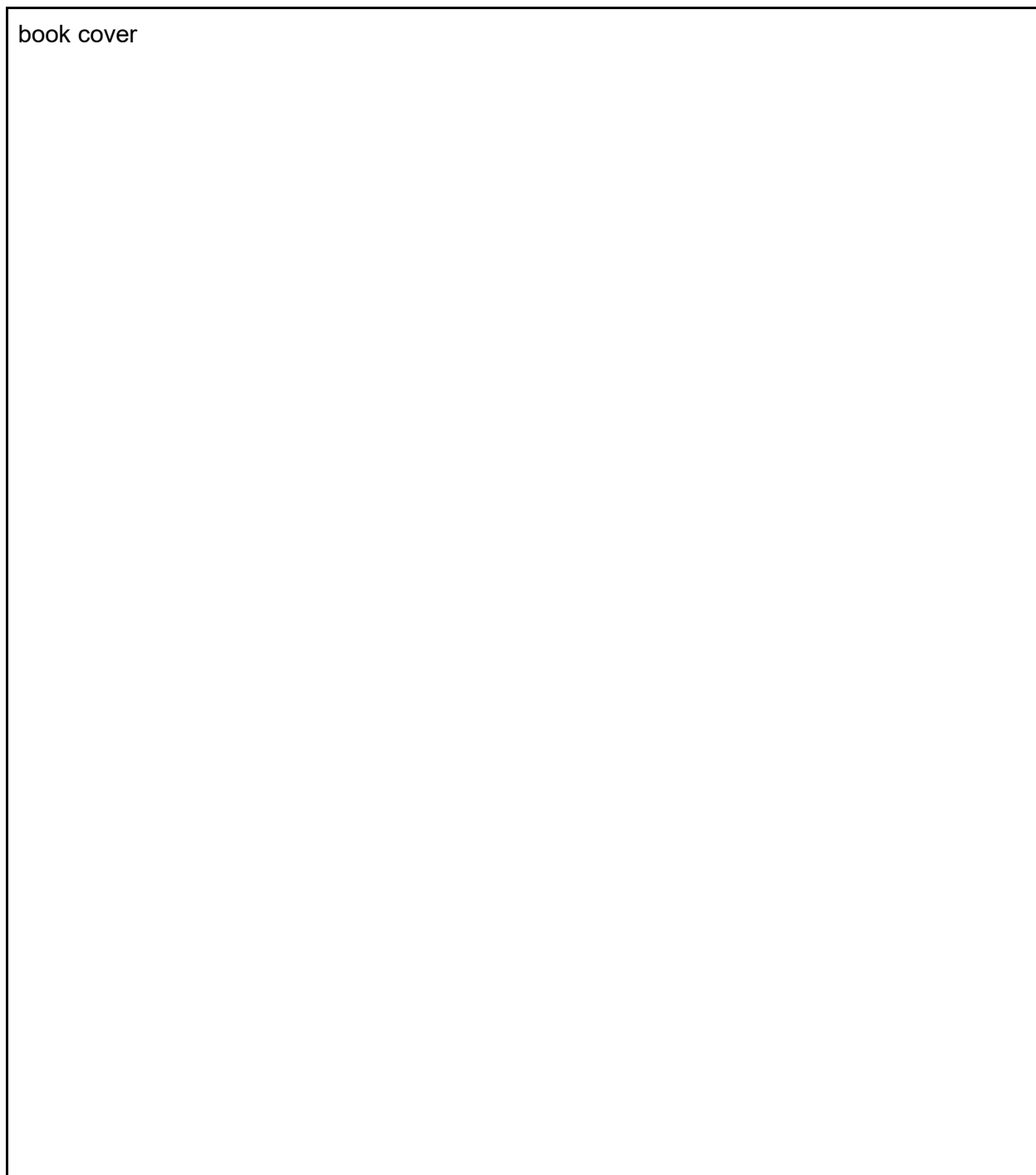
Complete the graphic organizer below to help plan your story. You can write down your ideas.

front cover	page 1	page 2
page 3	page 4	page 5

page 6	page 7	page 8
page 9	page 10	back cover

Complete the organizer below. Write your text and create your illustrations.

book cover



Draft page 1

Illustration/image

Text

**Draft page 2**

Illustration/image

Text

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Illustration/image

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Back cover