






READING	Madame C. J. Walker	GRADES: 6-12
TASK	Short Paragraph	
<p>READ</p> 	<p>Read the short paragraph that follows about Madame C.J. Walker and complete the activities.</p> <p>Madame C. J. Walker</p>  <p>Madame C.J. Walker was born as Sarah Breedlove in Louisiana in 1867. She was one of six children and was orphaned when she turned seven. Sarah moved often as a child and worked as a maid in a house and later doing laundry.</p> <p>When she was older, she wanted to make enough money to take care of her daughter, so she began selling hair care products for African American women. Sarah learned all she could about the business and how to make the products and began to make her own. She used her husband's name C.J. Walker with the very French sounding, "Madame" as her brand name. Her products became very popular and today Madame C. J. Walker is known as the first female self-made millionaire in the United States.</p>	
<p>TEACH</p> 	<p>Have the student read the passage to themselves and answer at least 5 of the questions.</p>	

<p>WRITE</p> 	<p>Read the passage and answer as many questions as you can.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Give three facts about Madame C.J. Walker. 2. How did she become a millionaire? 3. What was her motivation for making money? 4. What jobs did Madame C.J. Walker have before working for herself? 5. What kind of products did she make? 6. Why did she use the name “Madame”? 7. Why is Madame C.J. Walker a significant woman?
<p>TRY IT IF YOU CAN</p> 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Write 3 questions that you would like to ask Madame Walker. 2. Research and read about 2 other self-made female millionaires. 3. Pick a hair care or a self-care product and make an advertisement for it. Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An image of the product • The product name • A slogan • A description of what the product does