

Running Game: FIND THE SECRET SENTENCE

Preparation: Copy and laminate the 6 group cards (TM_1014_group cards)
 Copy the summary of the story for each pupil (TM_1014_summary)
 A small prize

Instructions:

1. Before the lesson starts, exhibit the 6 Bessie-Coleman-Sheets in different places in the classroom and/or the corridor.
2. When the lesson starts, divide the class into 6 groups.
3. Explain the game:
 Group 1 starts at the sheet “group 1”, group 2 at the sheet “group 2”, and so on. Start at your sheet and remember the words in the light grey box in the top left corner. Also remember the words in the box next to it. For example:

Bessie Coleman	was the
...	...

Remember “Bessie Coleman was the” and search for the sheet where the last two words (“was the”) are in a box on the left. When you have found it, remember the text next to it. For example:

was the	first black
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You remember “Bessie Coleman was the first black” and carry on searching for the rest of the sentence in the same way.

All sentences start in the top left grey box. The other parts of the sentences are in different places on the six sheets.

You have to search everywhere and look carefully. When you have finished, tell me your sentence. If it is complete and correct, you can write it on the board.

Incentive: The fastest and most quiet group will win a small prize.

4. After all groups have written down their sentences, the pupils find the correct order of the sentences, number them and read the summary silently. They glue a handout (TM_1014_summary) into their notebooks.

Solution:

	GROUP 1	GROUP 2	GROUP 3	GROUP 4	GROUP 5	GROUP 6
1	Bessie Coleman	was the	first black	woman who	became	a pilot.
2	Bessie spent	much of	her childhood	working	in the	cotton fields.
3	In 1919 she	heard about	the new	flying machines	and wanted	to become a pilot.
4	She learned French,	went to Paris	and finally	received her	international	pilot's license.
5	Bessie helped	other African	Americans	and earned her	money by doing	stunts with her plane.
6	She died	tragically in a	plane crash	and became a	heroine for other	African Americans.

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