

# **BLACK HISTORY FACTS**

## **BASS REEVES - THE LONE RANGER**

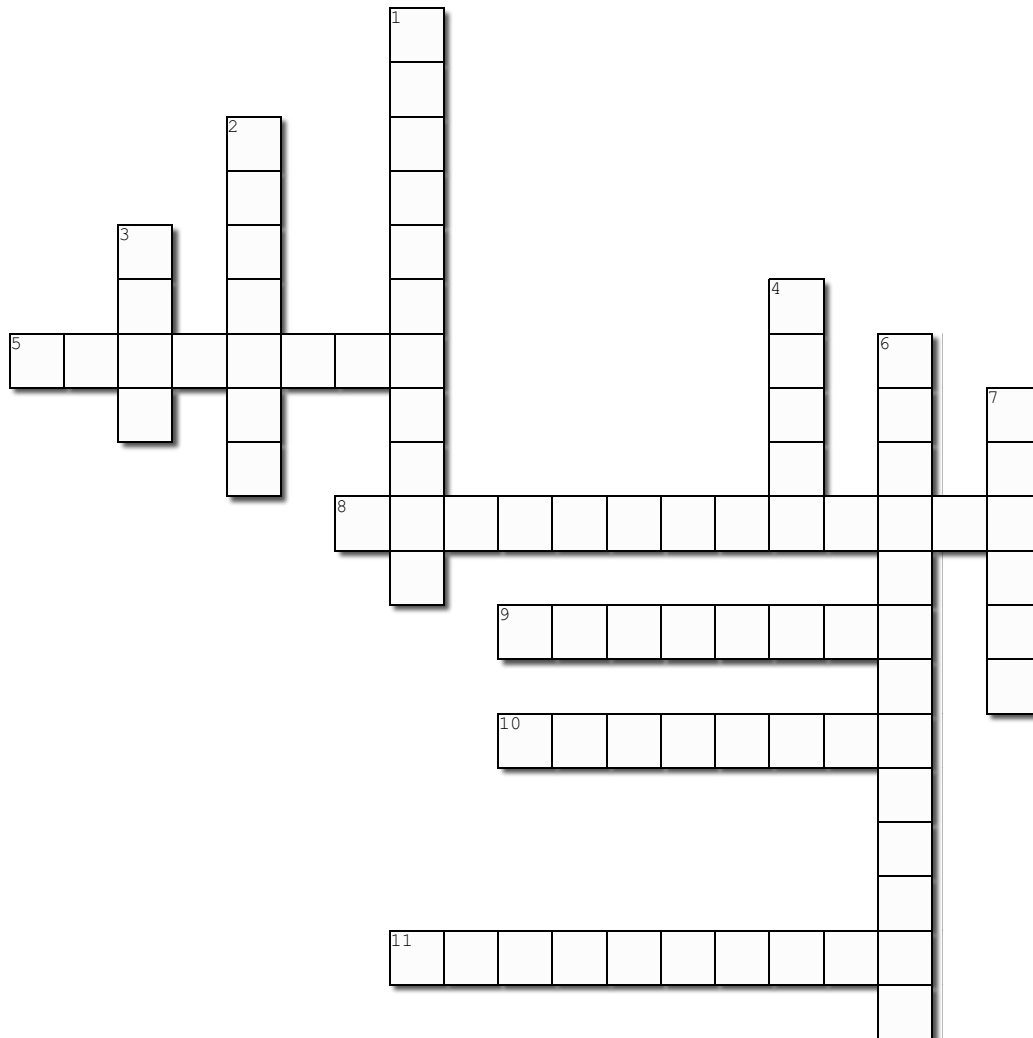
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- **Bass Reeves was a Black U.S. Deputy Marshal. He was also known as the Lone Ranger.**
- **Reeves was born a slave in Arkansas.**
- **He was named after his grandfather Bass Washington; however, he took his slave owner's surname.**
- **During the Civil War, Reeves fled to Oklahoma. He lived with the Seminole, Cherokee, and Creek Indians. He learned their language, customs, and tracking skills.**
- **After being emancipated, Reeves became a U.S. Marshall, James F. Fagan, hired Bass Reeves as his U.S. Deputy Marshall.**
- **Reeves rode a large white stallion, and often wore disguises when arresting criminals.**
- **Although, the Lone Ranger is portrayed as a White Man, the Lone Ranger was in fact Bass Reeves.**
- **Bass Reeves was ambidextrous. He wore Colts on both sides.**
- **Although Reeves was illiterate, he would have someone read the warrants and he would memorize them. He never pulled the wrong warrant when we went to make an arrest.**
- **There is finally a movie about Bass Reeves life, Hell on the Border.**

# Bass Reeves - Lone Ranger Crossword

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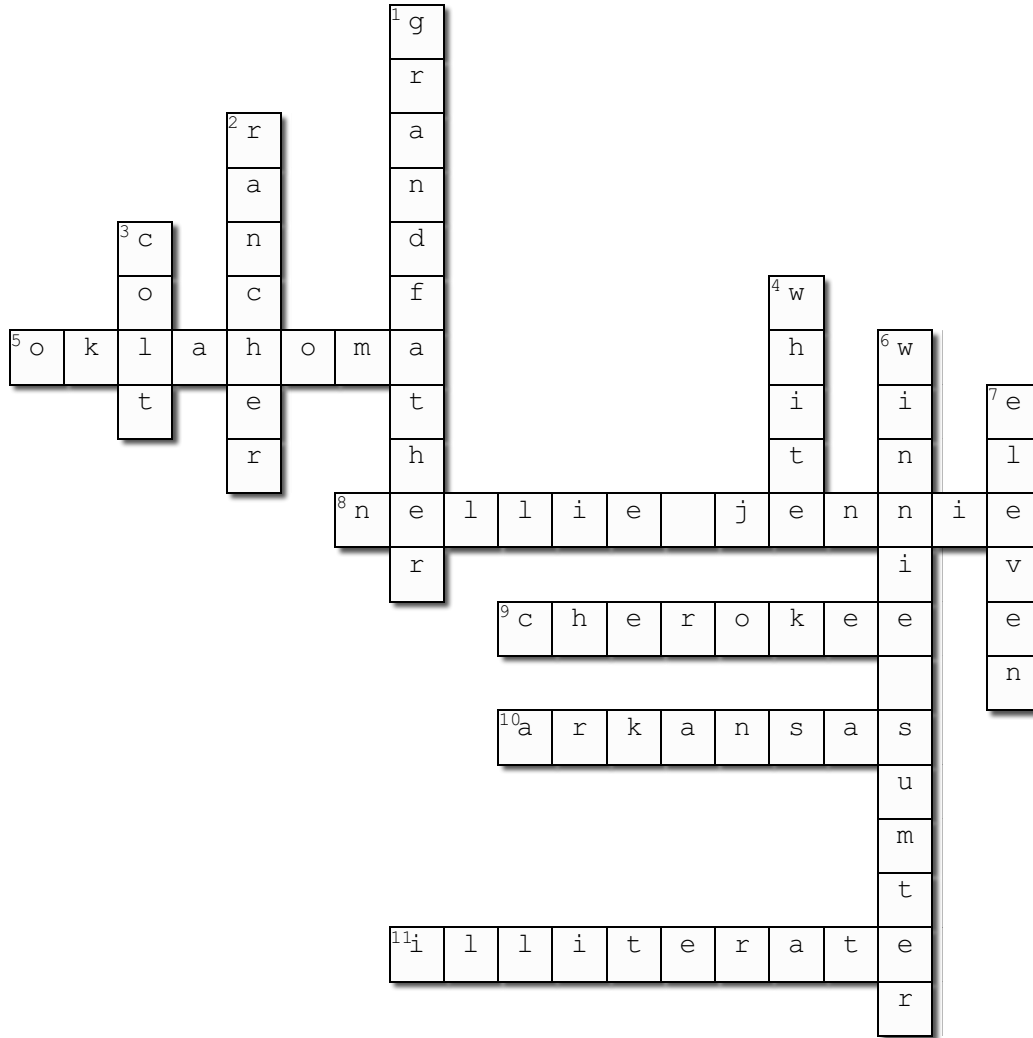
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10. Birthplace
11. Educational Status

## Down

1. Reeves Namesake
2. Occupation before Deputy Marshall
3. Reeves' Preferred Gun
4. Color of Reeves Stallion
6. Reeves' Second Wife
7. Number of Children Reeves Fathered

# Lone Ranger Crossword

Complete the crossword puzzle below



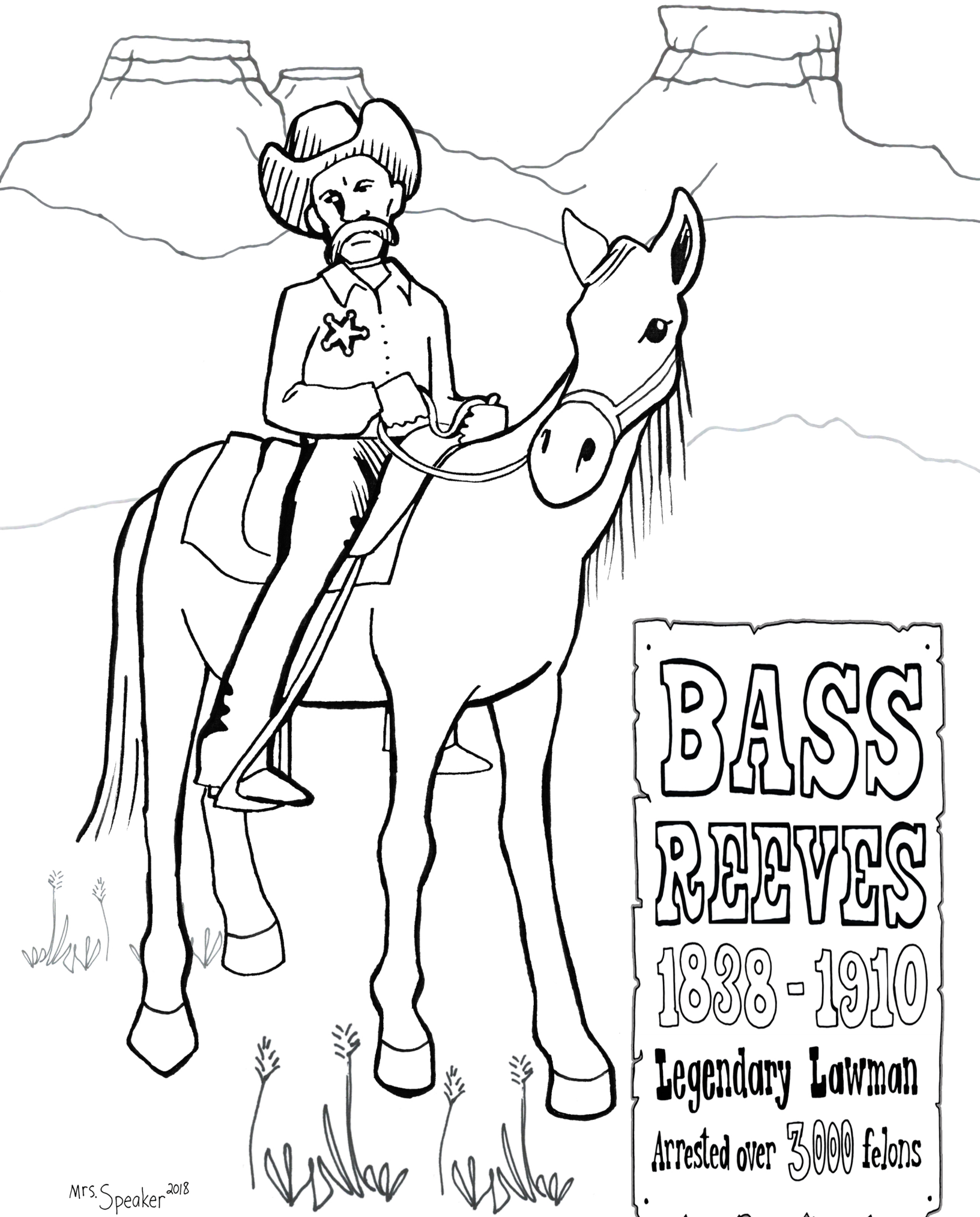
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## Across

5. Indian Territory (**oklahoma**)
8. Reeves' First Wife (**nellie jennie**)
9. Indian Tribe Reeves Lived With (**cherokee**)
10. Birthplace (**arkansas**)
11. Educational Status (**illiterate**)

## Down

1. Reeves Namesake (**grandfather**)
2. Occupation before Deputy Marshall (**rancher**)
3. Reeves' Preferred Gun (**colt**)
4. Color of Reeves Stallion (**white**)
6. Reeves' Second Wife (**winnie sumter**)
7. Number of Children Reeves Fathered (**eleven**)



**BASS**

**REEVES**

**1838 - 1910**

**Legendary Lawman**

**Arrested over 3000 felons**



# Black History Month

## Bass Reeves – The Real Lone Ranger

I L L I T E R A T E R W W L R  
A M O H A L K O W E I A L C E  
E L O N I M E S K N R A R Z T  
C I V I L W A R N R H E F N O  
N E V E L E A I A S E F C E O  
S L A V E P E N R K R I R L H  
W H I T E S T A L L I O N L S  
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J E O U C H E R O K E E A E H  
R C P R E G N A R E N O L N S  
R E H T A F D N A R G Z O N K  
D N O I T A P I C N A M E I L  
H O R S E B R E E D E R Y E E

**CHEROKEE  
CREEK  
EMANCIPATION  
ILLITERATE  
LONE RANGER  
RANCHER  
SLAVE  
WHITE STALLION**

**CIVIL WAR  
DEPUTY MARSHALL  
GRANDFATHER  
INDIANS  
NELLIE JENNIE  
SEMINOLE  
TERRORITY  
WINNIE SUMTER**

**COLTS  
ELEVEN  
HORSE BREEDER  
JUDGE PARKER  
OKLAHOMA  
SHARP SHOOTER  
WARRANTS**