

Progress Monitoring Probe 5
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Wilma Rudolph

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| More than sixty years ago Wilma Rudolph was born into a very hard working family with little money. She was one of twenty-two children. Wilma had been small and weak at birth. Because of this, she suffered one illness after another. Her family could not afford a doctor. Wilma's mother cared for her as best she could. | 11 22 33 44 56 58 |
| When Wilma was six years old, she fell ill with polio. The disease left her legs weak, and doctors said she would never be able to walk. Mrs. Rudolph finally found a hospital willing to help Wilma. The workers there helped Wilma gain strength in her legs. At home, her brothers and sisters helped with the treatments, too. By the time she was twelve, Wilma was walking without help. | 70 82 93 103 114 125 127 |
| Wilma not only walked, she ran, and ran quickly. She decided to become an athlete. At first, she played basketball. Soon she became a star, leading her team to a state championship. | 137 147 158 159 |
| Wilma also developed her track skills. By age sixteen, she had won a bronze medal in a relay race the Olympic games. Wilma went on to become the first American woman to win three gold medals at the Olympics. She won three different races, two sprints of different distances and one relay race. | 169 181 192 203 212 |
| Using her fame as an athlete, Wilma reached out to others. She coached students in high schools and colleges. She made regular appearances on TV and radio shows. Wilma also set up a group to help bring sports into poor neighborhoods. | 223 233 245 253 |
| Wilma was African American. At the time she was born, many opportunities were not equally available for all people. It would be many years before the laws and opportunities of our country were applied equally to all people. Wilma's successes | 263 273 284 293 |

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| were all the more meaningful because of the challenges she | 303 |
| faced. Today, women and men from all backgrounds remember | 312 |
| Wilma Rudolph with pride and respect. | 318 |

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Wilma Rudolph
Comprehension Questions

- Q1: What can we learn from Wilma's example?
A1: *To never give up; work hard; show determination for what you want*
- Q2: In the story Wilma used her **fame** as an athlete to reach out to others. What does the word **fame** mean?
A2: *Her accomplishments as an Olympic star; People knew her face and who she was, so they would listen to her; She was famous.*
- Q3: When Wilma was six years old, she became sick with a disease called polio. What effect did this disease have on her?
A3: *It made her legs weak and she couldn't walk.*
- Q4: Why do we take special notice of Wilma's accomplishments?
A4: *She overcame many obstacles. For example: unfair treatment, polio, poor family, lacked opportunities.*
- Q5: Can you think of someone you know who has overcome an obstacle? Describe.
A5: *Answers will vary.*