

PASSAGE IV

Mary Eliza Mahoney

African Americans' feats are now taught in schools more than at any point in our **34** nation's history, individuals such as George Washington Carver, Rosa Parks, and Thurgood Marshall are now standard elements in US History curriculum and not simply relegated to being taught in February. **35** In other words, despite this notable progress, critics assert that parity in curricular focus has not yet been achieved by minority groups, with the regular omission of people such as Jean Baptiste Point du **36** Sable, founder of Chicago, and Lewis Latimer, an assistant to Thomas Edison whose work on filaments made light bulbs last longer than a few days. In this same sense, there is yet another African American whose contribution to American society is regularly missed in US History **37** classes, and that person is commonly known to most as Mary Eliza Mahoney.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) nations history; individuals
- C) nation's history individuals
- D) nation's history; individuals

**35**

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) However,
- C) Therefore,
- D) Hence,

**36**

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) Sable founder of Chicago and
- C) Sable, founder of Chicago – and
- D) Sable, founder of Chicago, and,

**37**

Which choice most effectively combines the sentences at the underlined portion?

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) classes, and she is the lady who many historians know as Mary Eliza Mahoney.
- C) classes; Mary Eliza Mahoney.
- D) classes; Mary Eliza Mahoney is, in fact, this person.

[ 1 ] Ms. Mahoney’s accomplishments are numerous: she was both the first African American woman accepted into nursing school and **38** she registered as the first woman to vote in Boston, Massachusetts. [ 2 ] Given all of these accomplishments, one must ask, “Why is it that so few have even heard of Mary Mahoney?” [ 3 ] Not only that, but Ms. Mahoney was also the cofounder of the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses. [ 4 ] In fact, the American Nurses Association still annually awards the Mary Mahoney Medal **39** each year to a nurse who makes a significant contribution to interracial relations. **40**

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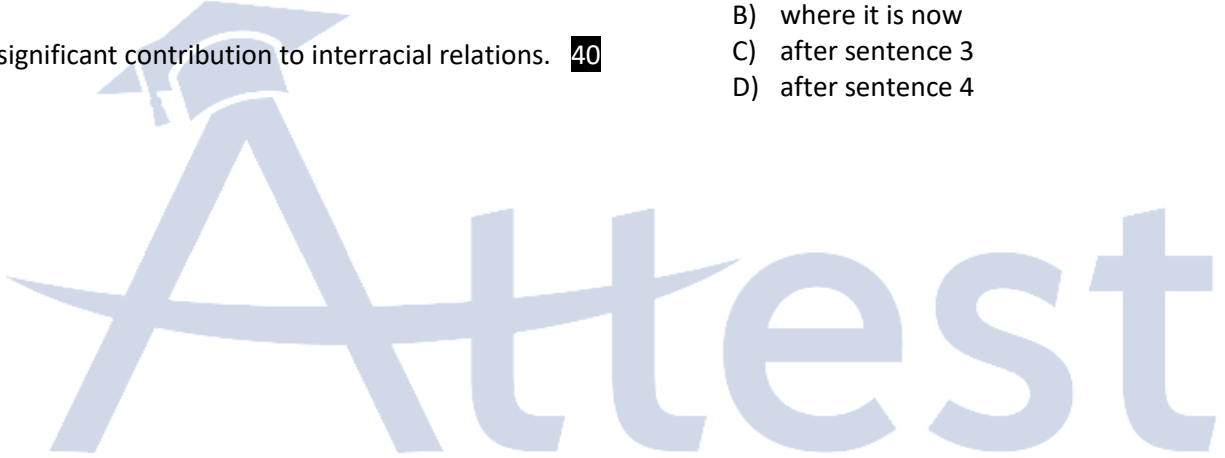
- A) NO CHANGE
- B) the first woman who registered to vote
- C) her voter registration was the first completed by a woman
- D) she voted in an election as the first woman who registered to vote

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) each year
- C) once every 12 months
- D) DELETE the underlined portion.

**40** To make this paragraph most logical, sentence 2 should be placed

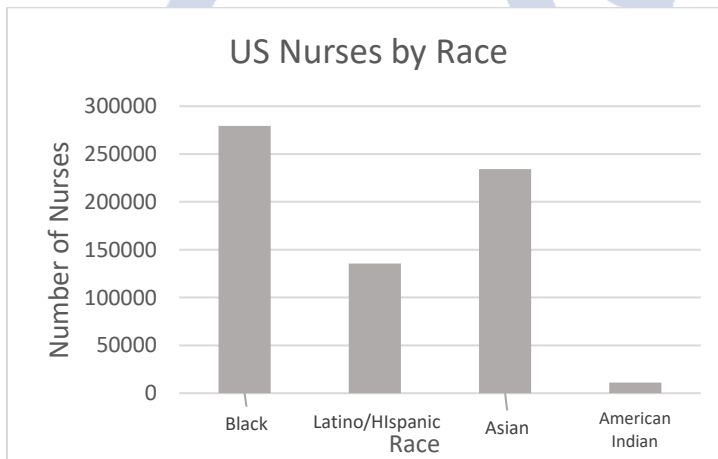
- A) before sentence 1
- B) where it is now
- C) after sentence 3
- D) after sentence 4



Attest

A textbook's omission of a person who has been inducted into both the American Association of Nurses Hall of Fame as well as the National Women's Hall of Fame is questionable at best and upsetting at worst. <sup>41</sup> The real question that <sup>42</sup> must be asked, if we are willing to even face it is "how many Mary Eliza Mahoneys have lived whose existence we do not know?"

Whether or not Mary Eliza Mahoney ever does become a household name, her impact is unquestionable: today, there are approximately 280,000 black nurses in the United States. <sup>43</sup> Ultimately, its the responsibility of not just historians, but everyone to discover the Mary Eliza Mahoneys of the world and make there accomplishments known.



<sup>41</sup> At this point, the author is considering adding the following true statement:

Textbook sales in the United States alone were approximately \$7.85 billion in 2020.

Should the author make this addition here?

- A) Yes, because it clarifies the importance of textbooks to the nursing profession.
- B) Yes, because it adds important context to the main topic of the paragraph.
- C) No, because it blurs the focus of the paragraph.
- D) No, because it contradicts the passage's main argument about Mary Eliza Mahoney's accomplishments.

<sup>42</sup>

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) must be asked - if we are willing to even face it, is
- C) must be asked if we are willing to even face it is
- D) must be asked - if we are willing to even face it - is

<sup>43</sup>

Which choice provides accurate information from the graph?

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) 140,000
- C) 11,000
- D) 240,000

<sup>44</sup>

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) their
- C) they're
- D) its