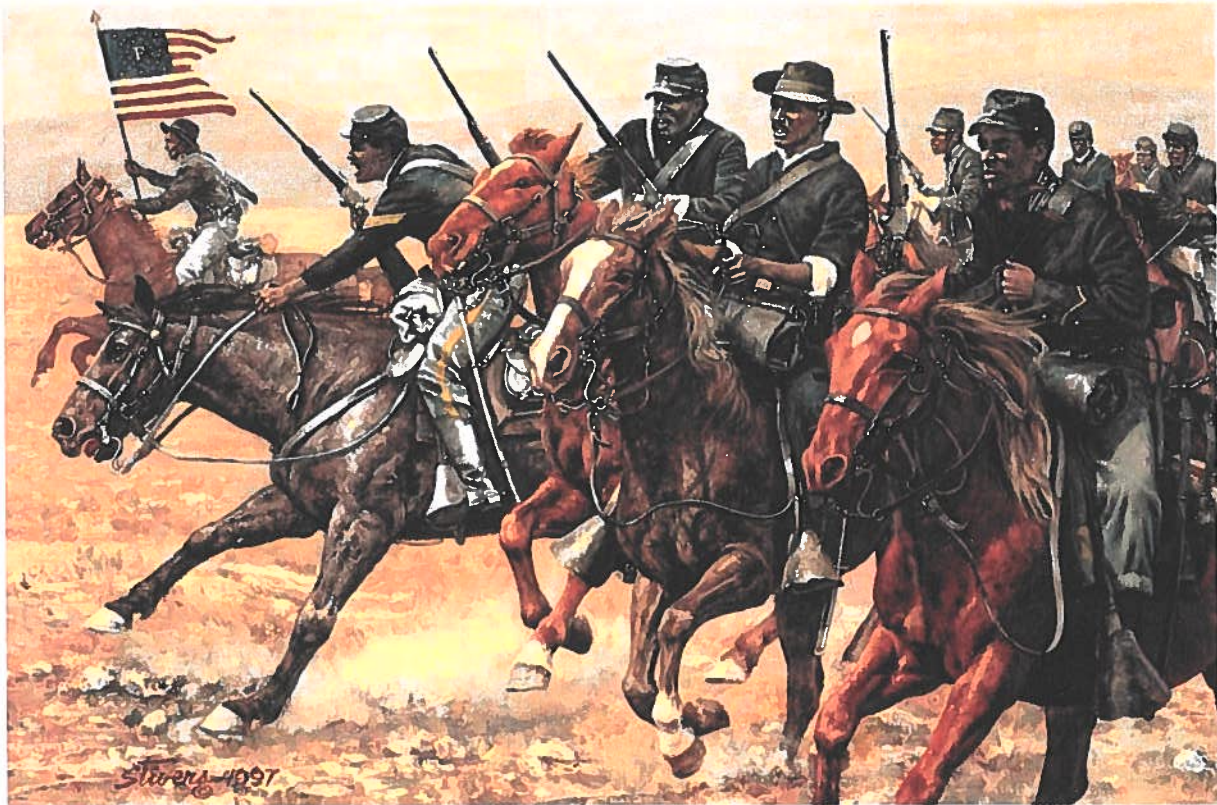


BUFFALO SOLDIERS



BRAVERY DURING THE CIVIL WAR

HIGH SCHOOL NEW MEXICO HISTORY

BUFFALO SOLDIERS: BRAVERY DURING THE CIVIL WAR

THEME 2: New Mexico's Territorial Period

Anchor Standard: History 16. Cause and Consequence

- **9-12. NMH.19. Examine the causes and effects of the Civil War and the battles that ensued within New Mexico.**

AND/OR

8th GRADE HISTORY

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THEME 8: The Civil War (1860 CE- 1865 CE)

Anchor Standard: Civics 1. Civic and Political Institutions

- **8. NMH.83. Discuss the nature of civil wars in general, and the role of border states and territories in the U.S. Civil War specifically and explore the role New Mexico played.**

SAMPLE LESSON PLAN

Buffalo Soldiers: Bravery During the Civil War

High School New Mexico History

Theme 2: New Mexico's Territorial Period AND/OR

8th Grade History

Theme 8: The Civil War



Buffalo Soldiers

- Introduce the lesson to the class about Buffalo Soldiers: Bravery During the Civil War.
- Students watch the PBS NM Moments in Time/Buffalo Soldiers -Special 8 minute video - Buffalo Soldiers in New Mexico
<https://www.pbs.org/video/moments-time-buffalo-soldiers-new-mexico/>
- Students read about THE CIVIL WAR in New Mexico and how Buffalo Soldiers brought peace to New Mexico during the Territorial Period.
- Students Reflect About The Bravery of Buffalo Soldiers During The Civil War in New Mexico.
- Allow 2+ class periods.

RESOURCES AND OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Students listen, take notes and discuss ideas about Bob Marley's song, Buffalo Soldier.
- Civil War Word Search. Students work with a partner.
- Students watch the 1997 TV Movie, Buffalo Soldier, starring Danny Glover [Free Streaming].
- Cathy Williams, Buffalo Soldier book

PBS NEW MEXICO MOMENTS IN TIME BUFFALO SOLDIERS IN NEW MEXICO

SHOW STUDENTS THIS 8 MINUTE SHORT DOCUMENTARY

PBS NM Moments in Time/Buffalo Soldiers -Special 8 minute video - Buffalo Soldiers in New Mexico

<https://www.pbs.org/video/moments-time-buffalo-soldiers-new-mexico/>

Members of the Buffalo Soldiers Society of New Mexico share insights into the history of the Buffalo Soldiers and how they contributed to New Mexico achieving statehood in 1912. They tell us of the challenges these soldiers' faced, their hard work, and particularly of their bravery during the battle with Apache chief Victorio at Massacre Canyon.

Aired: 8/05/10

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TROUBLED DAYS IN TERRITORIAL NEW MEXICO
PAGES 229, 232

A HISTORY OF NEW MEXICO BY ROBERTS AND ROBERTS
UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO PRESS
November 2004

THE LAST OF THE INDIAN WARS

The Buffalo Soldiers help bring peace to New Mexico. In 1874 the United States army defeated the Kiowas and Comanches. (See Special Interest Feature.) These Plains Indians had raided along the Santa Fe Trail. They had made it dangerous for anyone to travel to and from New Mexico. In the end the army forced these tribes onto reservations in what is today Oklahoma.

Among those fighting the Plains Indians were the Ninth and Tenth Cavalry regiments. The soldiers in these units were Black. They worked with leftover horses and equipment. The army housed them in run-down forts. Still, they did their work well. They chased various bands of Indians until the Indians surrendered.

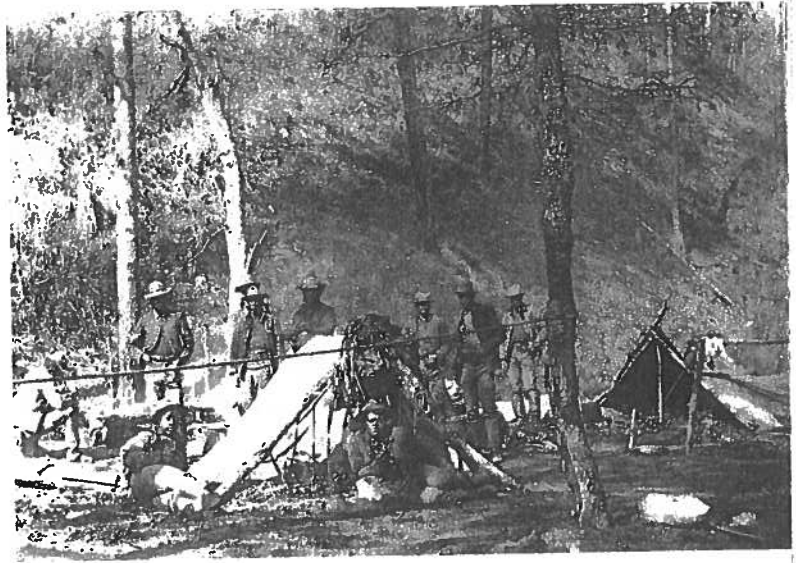
In the process the Black soldiers gained the respect of those they fought. The Indians called them Buffalo Soldiers. They did so because of the soldiers' hair. To the Indians, the soldiers' curly hair resembled that of the buffalo—"God's cattle." The Buffalo Soldiers also gained the respect of their country. Among their number were 11 Medal of Honor winners. The

Ninth and Tenth Cavalry had the lowest desertion rate of any units in the army.

The Buffalo Soldiers patrolled the eastern plains for years. They explored the area. This helped open eastern New Mexico for settlement. But as peace came to the plains, New Mexico still had one place where Indian raids continued. This was southwestern New Mexico. Here, Apache bands kept raiding into the 1880s. The Buffalo Soldiers fought here too.

Apache raids continue. The Apaches wrote the final chapters on Indian wars in New Mexico. Indeed, they were among the last Indians anywhere to resist United States rule. Their story is well known in fiction and film. So is the story of their leaders—Victorio, Nana, and Geronimo.

In 1879 Victorio led his Apache followers off their New Mexico reservation. They raided from the Rio Grande into Arizona. They destroyed everything in their path. These raids did not end until Victorio was killed in Mexico in 1880. A band of Apaches resumed the raids under Nana, Victorio's son-in-law. Nana was said to be crippled and nearly blind, but he was a good leader. He struck fast and disappeared. It was said he could ride 70 miles in a single day. Before giving up in 1881, Nana fought eight battles against the Buffalo Soldiers. He was finally sent to a reservation in Arizona.



Buffalo
Soldiers camp
near Chloride,
New Mexico
(Photo 1892)

REFLECTIONS



New Mexico Buffalo Soldiers

After watching the short NM PBS special and reading about Buffalo Soldiers in New Mexico, please reflect upon these ideas. And answer the following three questions. Be ready to share.

- 1. What is bravery?**
- 2. Give an example of bravery that you think the Buffalo Soldiers displayed during or after the Civil War.**
- 3. List one contribution Buffalo Soldiers made to New Mexico.**

RESOURCES

BUFFALO SOLDIER SONG BY BOB MARLEY

Use a chrome book, laptop or tablet and a set of headphones or earbuds. Log on and search the internet for Bob Marley's song, Buffalo Soldier.

Listen to the song several times. Write down 10 historical facts about Buffalo Soldiers, African-Americans, slavery, race or America below. You may also refer to your copy of the lyrics.

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4. _____
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6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____



BOB MARLEY

BUFFALO SOLDIER SONG LYRICS by BOB MARLEY [1983]

Buffalo Soldier
Dreadlock Rasta
There was a Buffalo Soldier
in the heart of America
Stolen from Africa
brought to America
Fighting on arrival
fighting for survival

I mean it, when I analyze the stench
To me it makes a lot of sense
How the Dreadlock Rasta
was the Buffalo Soldier
And he was taken from Africa
brought to America
Fighting on arrival
fighting for survival

Said he was a Buffalo Soldier Dreadlock Rasta
Buffalo Soldier
in the heart of America

If you know your history
Then you would know where you coming from
Then you wouldn't have to ask me
Who the 'eck do I think I am

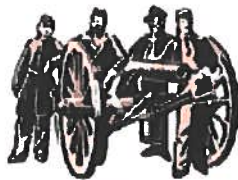
I'm just a Buffalo Soldier
in the heart of America
Stolen from Africa
brought to America
Said he was fighting on arrival
fighting for survival

Said he was a Buffalo Soldier
win the war for America

Dreadie, woy yoy yoy, woy yoy-yoy yoy
Woy yoy yoy yoy, yoy yoy-yoy yoy
Woy yoy yoy, woy yoy-yoy yoy
Woy yoy yoy yoy, yoy yoy-yoy yoy
Buffalo Soldier
troddin' through the land, wo-ho-oh
Said he wanna ran and then you wanna hand
Troddin' through the land, yea-hea, yea-ea

Said he was a Buffalo Soldier
win the war for America
Buffalo Soldier
Dreadlock Rasta
Fighting on arrival
fighting for survival
Driven from the mainland
to the heart of the Caribbean

Singing, woy yoy yoy, woy yoy-yoy yoy
Woy yoy yoy yoy, yoy yoy-yoy yoy
Woy yoy yoy, woy yoy-yoy yoy
Woy yoy yoy yoy, yoy yoy-yoy yoy



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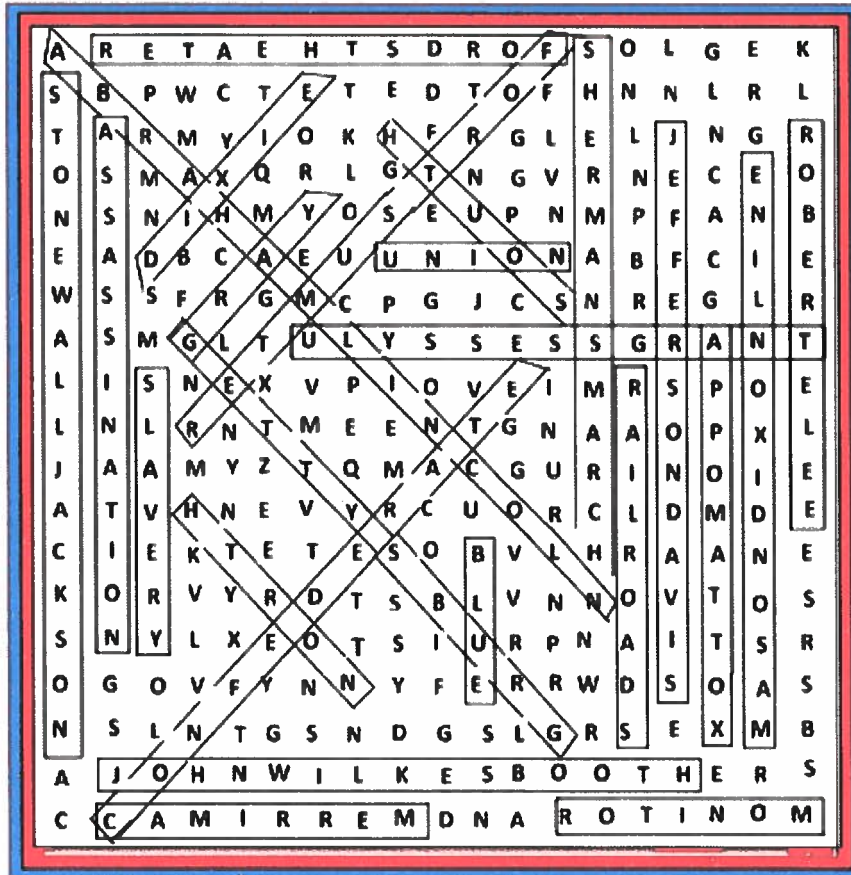


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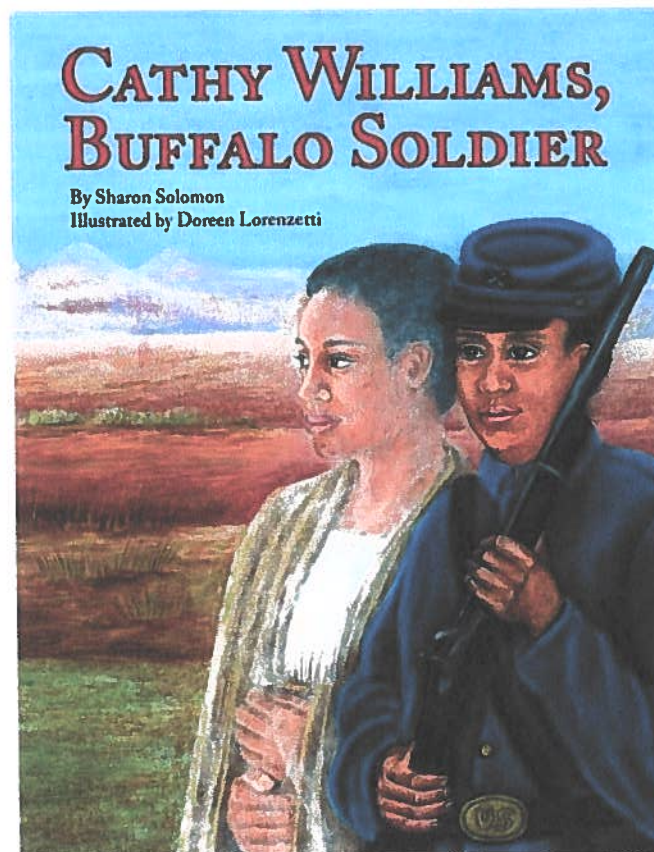
Directed by Charlie Haid

Starring Danny Glover



Members of a black army corps earn reputations as exceptional soldiers as they help settle the American West.

CATHY WILLIAMS, BUFFALO SOLDIER
BY SHARON SOLOMON
ARCADIA PUBLISHING 2010



Do You Know These New Mexico Women?



Cathay Williams
soldier



Fabiola Cabeza de Baca
author and educator



Georgia O'Keeffe
artist



Nina Otero Warren
suffragist, educator, politician



Mary Colter
architect and designer



Concha Ortiz y Pino de Kleven
politician



Laura Gilpin
photographer



Lozen
Apache warrior, seer, healer



Mabel Dodge Lujan
writer and arts patron



Maria Martinez
artist



Matilda Coxe Stevenson
anthropologist



Michelle Lujan Grisham
governor




Peggy Pond Church
poet and essayist



Sister Blandina Segale
educator

See more New Mexico women in
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WORD SEARCH: New Mexico Women

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