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Toni Morrison - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. What was Toni Morrison's birth name?

- A. Chloe Morrison
- B. Antonia Morrison

- C. Toni Wofford
- ☒ D. Chloe Wofford

2. Who burned down Morrison's childhood home?

- A. Her mother
- ☒ B. Her family's landlord

- C. Her classmate
- D. A random arsonist

3. Where did Morrison attend college?

- ☒ A. Howard University
- B. Spelman University

- C. New York University
- D. Princeton University

4. Morrison was the first Black female { } at Random House.

- A. writer
- B. secretary

- ☒ C. editor
- D. designer

5. Which famous athlete's autobiography did Morrison edit?

- A. Jesse Owens
- B. Jackie Robinson

- ☒ C. Muhammad Ali
- D. Jackie Joyner-Kersey

6. What was Morrison's first novel?

- ☒ A. *The Bluest Eye*
- B. *Song of Solomon*

- C. *Jazz*
- D. *Beloved*

7. Traditionally, Black stories have often been {} Western literature.

- A. the focus of
- ☒ B. left out of
- C. overrepresented in
- D. sought after in

8. Morrison explored {} elements, such as humans flying, in her work.

- A. hyper-realistic
- ☒ B. supernatural
- C. journalistic
- D. educational

9. True or False: Morrison's books have been banned by some schools.

- ☒ A. True
- B. False

10. Which of these awards did Morrison win?

- ☒ A. Pulitzer Prize
- B. Nobel Peace Prize
- C. MacArthur "Genius" Fellowship
- D. All of the above