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frederick douglass an american hero

frederick douglass played an extraordinary role in american history he was born a slave in maryland in 1817 he never saw his brother and two sisters until he was seven years old he later wrote in his Narrative, Slavery made us strangers at 21, Douglass worked on the docks in Baltimore from there, he managed to escape from slavery using the identity papers of a free black sailor he then went to new york city where he married ann murray, a free black woman whom he had first met in baltimore. he chose a new name: douglass from sir walter scott's novel, The lady of the lake. in his new life, frederick douglass became an important abolitionist. he helped slaves escape to the north by means of the Underground Railroad. in 1847 he began to publish his own newspaper called The North Star this was the name of the star that escaping slaves followed north in search of freedom. In his newspaper, douglass fought for justice for the oppressed. at the first Women's Rights Convention in 1848, he demanded that women be allowed to vote during the civil war, he pressured president lincoln to allow black people to fight in the Union Army for their freedom. Douglass's sons fought among the black troops douglass later became u.s. ambassador to haiti the world's first black republic. he also became a leader of howard university the first university for african americans in the United states frederick douglass is an american hero.