

Historical Besties

Oprah & Ida B. Wells

AGE DIFFERENCE

There is a 92 year age gap.
Ida B. Wells was born in 1862.
Oprah Winfrey was born in 1954.

QUOTES

"Think like a queen. A queen is not afraid to fail. Failure is another stepping stone to greatness." - Oprah Winfrey
There must always be a remedy for wrong and injustice if we only know how to find it." - Ida B Wells

BONDING

These two would bond over women empowerment movement. Wanting to rise above the issues of society, and conquer the education & communication of the way of the world.



HISTORICALLY NOBLE

Wells is best known as an activist and journalist who fought for women's suffrage and lynching in the United States in the 1890s.
Winfrey is best known for her talk show and television network, which helped her break down journalistic barriers in the public eye.

FREEMY

Their frenemy would be John D. Rockefeller. Rockefeller was accused of using unethical practices with his standard oil company. His practices were considered harsh towards other companies, putting them out of business. Both Winfrey & Wells would find this unfair, because they are for everyone winning & being successful.

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BARACK OBAMA & JOHN F. KENNEDY



AGE DIFFERENCE

There is a 44 year age gap.
Rockefeller was born in 1839.
Obama was born in 1961.

HISTORICALLY NOBLE

Obama served as the 44th president of the United States and was the first African American to do so. Kennedy was the 35th President of the United States (1961-1963), the youngest man elected to the office.

QUOTES

"I'm here to say we must reject such despair. I'm here to insist that we are not as divided as we seem, and I know that because I know America. I know how far we've come against impossible odds." - Barack Obama
"One hundred years of delay have passed since President Lincoln freed the slaves, yet their heirs, their grandsons, are not fully free." - John F. Kennedy

BONDING

These former presidents would bond over the civil rights movement of the 1960s. I believe they would both be proud of how many people wanted a change, that they wanted rights, and for the action that was taken so African American could stand up for themselves.

FREEMY

Barack and Kennedy would take a dislike in Richard Nixon because of the economic issues he brought during his time served as president.

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Jackie Robinson & Simone Biles



Age Difference

A 78 year age gap
Jackie Robinson was born in 1919
Simone Biles was born in 1997

Quotes

"I think if we go back and check our record, the Negro has proven beyond a doubt that we have been more than patient in seeking our rights as American citizens." -Jackie Robinson

"I'm going to go out there and represent the U.S.A., represent World Champions Centre, and represent Black and brown girls over the world...At the end of the day, I'm not representing U.S.A. Gymnastics." - Simone Biles

Frenemy

Thomas Rice would be their frenemy because of his time spent wearing blackface and promoting Jim Crow. Spending his time singing and performing songs like "Jump Jim Crow," he became popular, blackface became common, and for that, Biles and Robinson would dislike him for his beliefs. Both are big on respect and African American rights, and wearing blackface is an act to dismantle the image of American Americans..

Historically Noble

Robinson was known for being the first African-American to break the color barrier in baseball and first colored to take the field in the National League. Biles is known for setting a new American record for most medals in gymnastics at a single olympic game & being the most decorated gymnast of all time.

Bonding

Athletes Tommie Smith and John Carlos raised a black gloved fist during the national anthem during the 1968 Olympics. The black fist represents unity, solidarity, and opposition. Robinson and Biles would bond over this because they are both among the first African-Americans to break down barriers in sports in a country where they are not accepted. Actions like this gave other people of color hope that they could do the same. They both used their platforms to push for equal rights for African-Americans.

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William Tweed & Samuel Swartwout



Age Difference

40 year age gap.
Tweed was born in 1823, and Samuel Swartwout was born in 1783.

Bonding

The pair would bond over their manipulative & mischievous ways to corrupt the political system. As they both has stolen a great amount of money while in power.

Frenemy

Tweed and Swartwout would talk about Ida Tarbell, because of the work that she does. Tarbell was a muckraker that exposed corruption in the work environment. They both would take a dislike in her because she would have exposed their deception practiced on the New York political community.

Historically Noble

Tweed is known during the Gilded Age; in the 1860's he formed the Tweed Ring in Tammany Hall. His actions brought light to judicial corruption, dominated New York politics and extracted millions from city contracts.

Swartwout is known for being a merchant, politician, soldier, and playing a major role in the Swartwout-Hoyt scandal. He embezzled over a million dollars, while being a tenure as a collector of the Port of New York.

Quotes

"The appearance of the law must be upheld, especially when it's being broken." -William Tweed
"I regret extremely that you should have suffered the imputation of an act." - Samuel Swartwout