

**Walking on Water:
A Brief History on Black Surfers**

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GROUP WORKSHEET

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Discussion Activities- *wait until your teacher prompts you to start this section*

1. In this documentary surfing is used as a tool for community building and sharing history. In your opinion, why does sport matter? Write 2-3 ways sport has benefited your life, people you know, and/or your community.

2. Think about an activity or hobby you enjoy (playing piano, running, fixing cars, etc.). Who is an important person in the history of this activity/hobby that helped make it what it is today? Write their name, what they did for this activity/hobby, and list 3-4 ways how it would look different today if that person never took up this activity or hobby.

3. Many of the kids in this documentary, including the little boy at the very end, rarely or have never been to the beach, let alone learned how to surf. What is an activity, skill, or location that you think people could benefit from if they were introduced to it? Example - hiking in mountains/parks, playing the drums, etc. Develop a preliminary plan for how you could introduce more people to this activity/skill/location. Be sure to include why you think this activity/skill/location is important, what the potential benefits are, target audience (and why), how to reach them, and what equipment and/or services you'd need (e.g. transportation, surf boards and wetsuits, lessons).
 - a. What is it?
 - b. Why is it important and what are its potential benefits?
 - c. Who is the target audience, and why?
 - d. How will you reach this target audience?
 - e. What equipment and/or services would you need?