

# A Woman Doctor

March is Women's History Month. Read about a famous woman. Then answer the questions.

## Elizabeth Blackwell (1821–1910)

Elizabeth Blackwell was born in England. She moved to the United States when she was 11 years old. When she was a child, only men could go to medical school. Blackwell was the first woman in the U.S. to finish medical school. She became a doctor and a teacher. Blackwell started a medical school for women in the 1860s.



1. Where was Elizabeth Blackwell born? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How old was she when she moved to the United States? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What was she the first to do? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. True or false: Elizabeth Blackwell was also a teacher. \_\_\_\_\_
5. When did Blackwell start a medical school? \_\_\_\_\_

**Bonus** Why do you think Blackwell started a medical school for women?  
Write your answer on a separate sheet of paper.