

1. In the United States, graduating from college is often seen as one important
2. path to success. For many children from poorer areas, however, going to
3. college is an impossible dream. In 1987, a woman named Oral Lee Brown
4. decided to do something to make that dream come true for a small group of
5. children from a poor area of East Oakland, in California.

Further Questions&sample answers

6. 1) Can everyone in the United States go to college?

7. *No. For many children from poorer areas it is an impossible dream.*

8. 2) What did Oral Lee Brown decide to do in 1987?

9. *She decided to do something to make that dream come true*

10. *for a small group of children.*

11. Brown says that she got her idea after a little girl asked her for money in the
12. street. Brown guessed that the girl was not getting enough to eat at home, so
13. she took her to a grocery store to buy food. This experience made Brown start
14. thinking about the problems of poor children in her area. She visited the local
15. elementary school and met many children who needed help. After talking with
16. the principal, Brown made a promise to the 23 students in one first-year class.
17. She said that if they agreed to study hard and graduate from high school, she
18. would pay for them to go to college.

Further Questions&A



19. 3) What did Oral Brown do after a little girl asked her for money in the street?

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21. 4) What was Oral Brown's promise to one first-year class?

22. *She said that if they agreed to study hard and graduate from high school,*

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24. Brown knew that she would have to work hard to keep this promise. She had a
25. good job, but she was not rich. She started saving \$10,000 of her own money each
26. year. She also organized events and asked companies to give money. But Brown
27. did not just collect money for the students. She also gave them extra lessons on
28. her days off, bought them Christmas presents, and listened to their problems.

Further Questions&A



29. 5) How did Oral Brown raise the money for the students?

30. *She started saving \$10,000 of her own money each year.*

31. *She also organized events and asked companies to give money.*

32. 6) Besides raising money, what else did Oral Brown do for the students?

33. *She gave them extra lessons on her days off,*

34. *bought them Christmas presents, and listened to their problems.*

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36. It was hard for the students, too. Many high school students in East Oakland
 37. leave school before they graduate, but Brown encouraged the students she met in
 38. 1987 to continue. Twelve years later, in 1999, she was very happy because 19 of
 39. the original 23 had gone on to college. Since then, Brown has set up
 40. an organization called the Oral Lee Brown foundation to help give other
 41. children the opportunity to get a college education.

Further Questions&A



42. 7) What do many high school students do in East Oakland?

43. *They leave school before they graduate.*

44. 8) How many of the students went on to college?

45. *19 of the original 23 went on to college.*

*Choose the correct answer from these choices.

46. (42) In 1987, Oral Lee Brown decided to

47. 1 save money to start a school in East Oakland.

48. 2 send her children to a college in East Oakland.

49. 3 ask children in East Oakland about their dreams.

50. 4 help some children in East Oakland go to college.

51. (43) How did Brown get her idea?

52. 1 She started teaching at a local elementary school.

53. 2 She went to the graduation ceremony at a college.

54. 3 She met someone who made her think about poor children.

55. 4 She saw many people buying unhealthy food in a grocery store.

56. (44) What is one thing Brown did for the students?

57. 1 She taught them in her free time.

58. 2 She helped them save their money.

59. 3 She took them on trips at Christmas.

60. 4 She found jobs for them at local companies.

61. (45) Why was Brown happy in 1999?

62. 1 A new college opened in East Oakland.

63. 2 She was able to meet the students again.

64. 3 Most of the students had been able to enter college.

65. 4 Her organization had become large and successful.

Review Questions



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