

## Answers to the Andrew Foster questions:

### AF part A

1. What are the name signs of:

Laurent Clerc: closed "3" hand on cheek

Andrew Jackson Foster: "a" hand on side of neck

2. How many schools did Andrew Foster establish? 30

3. In how many countries did he establish schools? 13

List them.

Senegal, Ivory Coast, Burkina Faso, Ghana, Togo, Benin, Nigeria, Cameroon, Chad, Gabon, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Burundi

This was not a question, but here is the list of schools he established:

1957: Accra, Ghana

1957: Accra, Ghana (adult school)

1960: Ibadan, Nigeria

1962: Enugu-Nsukka, Nigeria

1962: Kaduna, Nigeria

1973: Center in Ibadan, Nigeria

1974: Abidjan, Ivory Coast

1976: Lome, Togo

1976: Mondou, Chad

1977: Dakar, Senegal

1977: Cotonou, Benin

1977: Kumba, Cameroon

1977: Bangui, Central African Republic

1979: Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)

1980: Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

1981: Bujumbura, Burundi

1982: Liberville, Gabon

1983: Lumbumbashi, DRC

1983: Kalemie, DRC

1983: Bobo Dioulassa, Burkina Faso

1984: Bukavu, DRC

1985: Likasi, DRC

1985: Goma, DRC

1985: Kolwezi, DRC

1985: Kamina, DRC

1985: Mbuji-Mayi, DRC

1986: Matadi, DRC

1987: Kisangani, DRC

1987: Sarh, Chad

1987: Gemena, DRC

4. What year was the first school established? **1957** The last? **1987**
5. What sign is used for Africa in this clip? **The shape of the continent (flat "o", open, then closed moving down)**

### **AF part B**

1. Where was Andrew Foster from? **Ensley, Alabama (mining town)**
2. Who did A.F. have a great influence on? **Marius/Maurice Titus**
3. How many siblings did AF have? **3** Where did he rank among his siblings? **oldest out of 4**
4. How did AF lose his hearing? **Spinal meningitis at age 11**
5. Where did AF go to school? **Alabama School for Negro Deaf and Blind in Talladega**
6. How far was it from his home to school? **60 miles**
7. What did you find the most interesting about this section? **(answers will vary)**

### **AF part C**

1. List the schools and colleges that Andrew Foster attended.  
**Alabama School for Negro Deaf and Blind in Talladega**  
**American School of Correspondence**  
**Detroit Institute of Commerce**  
**Gallaudet University**  
**Hampton Institute, VA (during the summers)**
2. Why wasn't he allowed to attend the school in Michigan?  
**Parents lived in Alabama and he was a minor so wasn't allowed to attend.**
3. What did he do as a result of not being able to attend? **Took a correspondence course for his HS diploma while he worked in a restaurant and factory.**
4. What was his first degree in? **Accounting and business**
5. Who encouraged him to pursue his education at Gallaudet? **Eric Malzkuhn (Malz)**
6. What was the name of the other African-American student who went to Gallaudet with him? **Jeremiah Germany**
7. What was his second degree in? **education**
8. What was the name of the first African-American to graduate from Gallaudet?  
**Andrew Foster**

### **AF part D**

1. When did Andrew Foster start feeling called to be a missionary? **As a teenager in Sunday School after meeting a missionary from Jamaica.**
2. Why didn't he go to Africa when he had the opportunity? **He wanted to continue his education.**

3. How was he able to succeed in a hearing school? Copied notes, read textbooks, consulted with professors.
4. What other distinction/diploma did he receive? Masters in education
5. What two other colleges did he attend?  
Michigan State Normal College (now Eastern Michigan University)  
Seattle Pacific Christian College (now University)
6. How many deaf schools were in all of Africa before he went there? 12
7. How many degrees did he earn all together? 3
8. How long did it take him to earn all his degrees? 5 years
9. Why did he face obstacles being a missionary in Africa? (list two) black and Deaf.
10. What did he do to overcome them? Established a Christian Mission for Deaf Africans and raised funds.
11. What year did he finally go to Africa? 1957

#### **AF part E**

1. What were the first 2 countries that he visited? Liberia and Ghana
2. How many children started at the first deaf school? 20
3. Where did he go next? Germany
4. Where did Andrew Foster meet his wife? Germany
5. What was her name? Berta Zuther
6. Where did they get married? Nigeria
7. Who donated to the African school? Gallaudet Drama Club
8. How many children were in the boarding school? 55
9. How did he help deaf adults? offered classes for 21 adults at a non-residential school
10. How many were on the waiting list? 100
11. What is the sign for Nigeria? "N" hand near mouth, palm out
12. What was the most interesting thing you learned from this section? (answers will vary)

#### **AF part F**

1. How many children did he have? 5
2. Why did he come back to the US? To raise funds to establish more schools
3. How many rooms in the school in Accra, Ghana? 17
4. What classes were taught in addition to the basics? Art, religion, hygiene, and PE
5. What were some of the obstacles he faced in Africa? Africa recently independent, different languages, disease, rough roads, many dangers,
6. What was so unusual about him driving a car? Deaf, educated Christians owning and driving cars was unheard of.

7. Why was it important to teach teachers in light of many countries becoming independent? **So they could be independent and teach themselves as well as providing jobs.**

8. As of 1961, how many schools in Ghana and Nigeria (look carefully)? **5**  
How many students? **172** How many on a waiting list? **315**

9. List the other places in which he established schools along with the year that he was there.

**1978: Dakar, Senegal**

**1979: Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)**

**1980: Niger**

**1981: Bujumbara, Burundi**

**1984: Ethiopia**

**1985: Bukavu, DRC**

**1985: Kamira, DRC**

**1986: N'Djamena, Chad**

**1985: Goma, DRC**

**1986: Deaf leadership training, Nigeria**

10. What did you like the best about this section? **(answers will vary)**

### **AF part G**

1. List all the awards and recognitions that Andrew Foster received.

**1962: Man of The Year by Alpha Sigma Pi Fraternity of Gallaudet  
Edward Miner Gallaudet Award**

**1970: Gallaudet honorary doctorate degree**

**1975: Gallaudet Alumnus of the Year**

**1981: Alumni Honor Award--Eastern Michigan University**

**1982: Alumni Medallion Awards from Seattle Pacific University**

2. What happened to make A.F. so proud? **Seth Lawrence Tettah-Ocloo was able to get an overseas scholarship, and passage and tuition for 5 teachers.**

3. What happened on A.F.'s flight to Kenya? **His plane crashed.**

4. How old was he when he died? **62**

5. What were the names of the two men who spoke at his memorial service?  
**Gabriel Adepaju and Eric Malzkuhn**

6. How is A.F. still remembered today at Gallaudet? **Andrew Foster Auditorium erected and bronze sculpture in lobby with plaque.**

7. Summarize what you learned about Andrew Foster from viewing the entire video.

**(answers will vary)**