

A **TRUE** BOOK™

Women in U.S. History

A brand new series bringing **HER**story to life

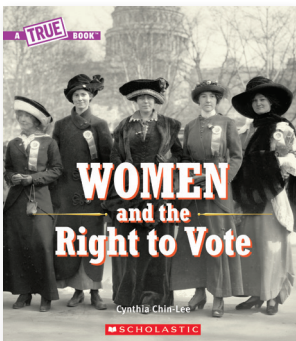
Grades 3–5 • Ages 8–10 • 7 ¼ x 8 ⅜ • 48 pp.



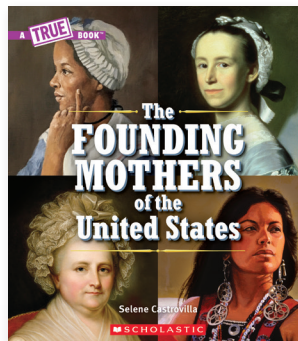
“With nary a saloon girl in sight, this True Book: Women’s History in the U.S. series (5 titles) selection sets the scene of America’s Old West much more honestly than many texts, pointing out the theft of Indigenous Peoples’ land and culture inherent to westward expansion, as well as the presence of enslaved people and Black settlers endeavoring to escape the racism rampant east of the Mississippi river...The context provided by this well-designed and accessible history elevates it above others.”

— Julia Smith, Booklist Starred Review, October 2020

RLB: 9780531130803 | PBK: 9780531133392 |



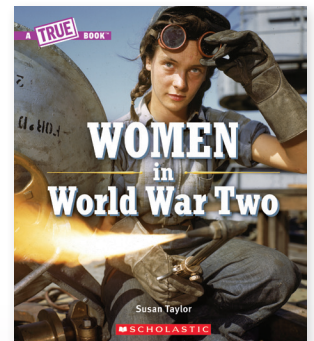
RLB: 9780531130834
PBK: 9780531133422 |



RLB: 9780531130797
PBK: 9780531133385 |



RLB: 9780531130827
PBK: 9780531133415 |



RLB: 9780531130810
PBK: 9780531133408 |

- **Find the Truth!** feature starts each book with two statements—one true and one false—beginning the inquiry process by engaging readers to think proactively
- A preview highlights key aspects of these historical moments and the role women played
- **Fascinating text**, rich in detail and history, is accessible by middle grade readers
- **Compelling artworks and photographs** illustrate the text
- **Pictorial timeline** highlights major events related to the period and the women featured
- **Sidebars, fast facts, infographics**, and other nonfiction text features bring history alive
- **Glossaries** explain crucial terms in a way that makes them easy to understand

CHAPTER
★

Nanyehi/ Nancy Ward

**Beloved Woman and
Cherokee Peacemaker**

Nanyehi (Nancy Ward) was an Indigenous woman born in Chota, the Cherokee capital (now part of Tennessee), in 1738. At 17 she fought alongside her husband in wartime. During a battle between the Cherokee and the

Muscogee Creeks, another Native Nation, her husband was killed. Not to be defeated, she picked up his rifle and led the fight. For her bravery, she earned the title “Ghigau,” or “Beloved Woman,” and began voting on important tribal decisions. Later, as the leader of the Women’s Council of Clan Representatives, she excelled as a **negotiator** and ambassador.

In a terrible time of war between the Indigenous people of North America and the encroaching American settlers, Nanyehi tried to achieve peace between them. When the American Revolution began, the Cherokee fought alongside the British to prevent losing more Cherokee land to settlers. Nanyehi didn’t want increased hostilities between her nation and the American settlers, so she warned them before Cherokee attacks, saving many lives.

28