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## Who was the first deaf and blind person to earn a college degree?

Helen Keller was born in Alabama. When she was just a year and a half old, she fell seriously ill and was left blind and deaf.

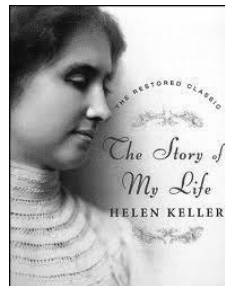
After six years, with the help of her teacher, Anne Sullivan, she learned to read and write Braille with Braille typewriters. In a very short time, she became famous. Everyone was talking about her. She even visited the President of the United States and appeared in newspapers. Helen graduated from college at age 24. She was the first deaf and blind person to have earned a college degree.

Helen was devoted to lecturing around the world to help the blind and deaf. She collected money for their causes. She believed that the blind and deaf should not live in isolation. She also believed that they are as intelligent and capable as anyone else, and they should be educated and receive the help necessary to succeed in society.

### ANSWER THE QUESTIONS.

1. Where was Helen Keller born?

- a. Arkansas
- b. Alabama
- c. Alaska
- d. None of the above



2. Helen learned to \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. play baseball
- b. swim
- c. read Braille and write
- d. none of the above



3. Helen was the first deaf and blind person to have earned a \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. college degree
- b. trip around the world
- c. visit with the President of the United States
- d. appearance in a newspaper article



4. Helen said that the deaf and blind should not \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. receive help
- b. learn to read
- c. go to a university
- d. live in isolation

