

**Instructions:** Before reading, write what you know or think each word means. After reading the book, make a ✓ if your prediction was correct, or write the correct meaning of the word.

Word	Before Reading Predicted Meaning	After Reading Correct	After Reading Revise Meaning
civil rights			
experiment			
segregated			
discrimination			
equality			
escort			
mission			
squadron			
obstacles			
invasion			



THE TUSKEGEE AIRMEN • LEVEL V • 2

**Instructions:** Identify and list the important information from your small group work in the question boxes below. Then use the information to create a summary in the *Summary* box.

Who What When Where

Why

Summary



**Instructions:** In the text below, circle the letters that should be capitalized. Use a red pencil to circle the letters that should be capitalized as proper nouns. Use a blue pencil to circle the letters that should be capitalized to mark the beginning of a sentence or the name of a chapter.

in march 1941, the 99th pursuit squadron was created as the first all-black unit of the army air forces. it began training african americans to work as aircraft mechanics and other support jobs. in june, the squadron moved to train at airfields around tuskegee, alabama. starting with a group of 47 officers and 429 enlisted men, the tuskegee airmen (as they became known) eventually grew to include 996 pilots and over 15,000 other military staff. the commanding officer was captain benjamin o. davis jr. capt. davis was a graduate of west point military academy who later became the first african american general in the u.s. air force.

