

Name _____

TALLCHIEFS: OSAGE BALLET LEGENDS

Review Questions



1. Define ballet: _____

2. The chief female dancer in a ballet or ballet company is known as the _____
_____.
3. What do we call the person who plans and arranges the steps, movements, and patterns of all the dancers? _____



4. _____ was the oldest of the two sister ballerinas of Osage descent who became famous in the 20th century.
5. Maria was born in the year _____ in the Oklahoma town of _____, but the family moved to _____, California when she was young.
6. What did this move show about the Tallchief parents' attitude about their daughters' talents? _____
7. What famous choreographer did Maria marry? _____
8. What important ballet company did he co-found - of which Maria was the first star?

9. What role established Maria as a prima ballerina? _____
10. After retiring from dancing, Maria became a _____ of ballet in Chicago
11. Tell two of the many honors Marie received: _____
and _____.



12. Maria's younger sister _____ was born in the year _____ and was also a famous, accomplished ballerina.
13. Tell two of the ballet companies Marjorie performed in: _____
_____ and _____
14. Two of her famous roles: _____ and _____
15. What was one of her honors? _____
16. The Tallchief sisters were among five dancers of Indian heritage who became famous in the 20th century and were known as the _____.