I Am A Black Woman

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My name is Rheanna Rookwood. I am 16 years old. I will be going into grade 11. My favourite hobbies are reading, listening to music and dancing. Currently, I am an ambassador at my school. What I like most about being an ambassador is that I am a part of a team and I enjoy working with people. This experience has helped me develop my communication skills and has helped me become a leader. When I leave high school I plan to pursue sociology because I want to understand human social behaviour.

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I am a Black Woman. I am proud of who I am and I have great admiration for strong Black Women who do not put themselves in a box and conform to what society wants them to be. They are in control of their own lives and have voices. They believe in change and are setting standards that represent what I strive to achieve.

The eyes of
Eartha Kitt

The voice of
Ella Fitzgerald

The legs of
Noami Campbell

The Moves of
Izzy Odigie

Athleticism of
Wilma Rudolph

Strength of
Serena Williams

Style of
Aaliyah

Flow of
Missy Elliot

Courage of
Winnie Mandela

Grace of
Michelle Obama

Stance of
Rosa Parks

I am the past, present, future

I am an empowered Black
Woman

I never give up when things
get too hard

When I walk by people they bow to their knees,
because I am a queen.

All these Black Women are from different generations but convey similar messages. They make it known that they can not be defined by their skin tone or their physical attributes. They have all made a name for themselves by being who they are; strong, confident, powerful, and insightful women who have made a difference in society. In this piece, I want to highlight the struggles of Black Women and show that Black Women are self-assured and driven.