**Absent Narratives**

**Objective:** Think about topic ideas that may have been left out or overwritten by the dominant story of history. These people or groups were involved in major events in history, but you do not traditionally see their stories in textbooks or the media.

**Directions:** For each area of history, identify a “dominant narrative.” Then, chose a person, an idea, and an event that is lesser known and can relate to this year’s NHD theme.

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|  | Dominant Narrative | Absent Narrative |
| Science/Technology | Capt. Charles E. Yeager became the first person to fly faster than the speed of sound in 1947.  | In 1936 Louise Thaden became the first woman to win the Bendix Trophy Race when she and her co-pilot, Blanche Noyes, flew a Beechcraft C17R “Staggerwing,” from Brooklyn, New York to Los Angeles, California, in 14 hours, 55 minutes, 1.0 seconds. |
| Education |  |  |
| Immigration/Migration |  |  |
| Labor History |  |  |
| Military History |  |  |
| Art/Culture/Literature |  |  |