



Tech Tips: Integrating Technology & Literature with **Ballots for Belva: The True Story of a Woman's Race for the Presidency** by Sudipta Bardhan-Quallen

Campaign for Belva!

Using template, design a brochure to convince people to vote for Belva. Be sure to include Belva's:

- **Bio:** Information about where and when she was born, her family, etc.
- **Qualifications:** Jobs or educational degrees that she would need as president
- **Platform:** Changes she would make as president
- **Photos:** Use Google image search.
- **Motto:** What would Belva's motto be?

Use **persuasive language** to convince people to vote for Belva !

Belva on Facebook

Create a free **Facebook** page for Belva.

Chronicle her presidential race by posting on her "wall" from Belva's point of view. What were some highlights of her campaign? What were some of the low points?

Respond to Belva's posts from the following points of view:

- a classmate from National University Law School
- Ulysses S. Grant
- Samuel L. Lowery
- Marietta Stow
- Grover Cleveland
- Abigail Duniway

Spin Doctors

Label an interactive whiteboard spinner with the four major types of conflict. Let students brainstorm situations from Belva's life that illustrate each type. List these on tiles that cover an image of the book's cover. Have students spin the spinner, then click on a tile that matches the conflict. Keep playing until the cover is revealed.

person vs....

...**society:** Voting was illegal for women

...**person:** Belva vs. Grover Cleveland

...**self:** According to Abigail Duniway, Belva was damaging her own cause.

...**nature:** How might the weather have affected campaign travel and public appearances?