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*Spellbound Episode 6 Nancy Jackson: Video Questions*

**Instructions**
While watching the video, answer the following questions:

1. What was unusual about Nancy’s grandmothers that influenced her education?

2. What was Nancy’s original major in college?

3. What convinced Nancy to change her major to chemistry?

4. What did Nancy like about being in the lab?

5. What class challenged Nancy in college?

6. Who was Nancy’s mentor while she worked at the American Chemical Society and how did he influence her career?

7. What work did Nancy do with the Department of State?

8. How does Nancy encourage young scientists from minority backgrounds?

After you watch the video, reflect on the following questions:

9. Nancy thought she had to choose between political science and chemistry, and she ended up choosing to study chemistry in college. However, she was able to use her scientific knowledge to influence policy later in life. Think of two of your interests that seem very different and come up with a way to connect them – be creative!
10. Nancy was so shaken by her poor performance in a math class that she dropped out of college for a while. However, she went back to school, retook the class and ultimately got her Ph.D. in chemistry. Think of a time when you experienced a setback (in school, your personal life, in a job, etc.) – how did you respond to it? How might you respond differently now?

11. If you had the opportunity to ask Nancy one question (about anything – her work, her life, etc.), what would it be?