

Ellie's History Challenge: The Story of Civil Rights

Learning objective: To understand the meaning of civil rights and recognise key figures who campaigned for equality.

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey through history! Read the key facts below and test your knowledge by answering these 10 questions. Remember, every person deserves to be treated with fairness and respect.

Answer Key: 1. B; 2. True; 3. Equality; 4. A; 5. False; 6. Segregation; 7. C; 8. True; 9. Rosa Parks; 10. B.
Remember: Civil rights are the basic freedoms that every human being should have, regardless of their background.

Word bank: Equality · Protest · Segregation · Justice · Campaign · Rights

1. 1. What does 'civil rights' mean? A) The right to play games B) The basic rights of freedom and fairness for all citizens* C) Rules about how to build houses D) The right to travel abroad (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Everyone is born with the same human rights. (1 mark)

3. 3. What word describes when everyone is treated exactly the same, with no unfairness? (1 mark)

4. 4. In history, what was the term for keeping people apart based on their skin colour? A) Segregation* B) Integration C) Migration D) Celebration (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: A protest is always a violent way to show you are unhappy. (1 mark)

6. 6. Fill in the blank: The separation of public facilities like schools and buses was known as _____. (1 mark)

7. 7. Who is famous for the 'I Have a Dream' speech? A) A local baker B) A scientist C) Martin Luther King Jr.* D) An explorer (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: Rosa Parks is remembered for her brave stand against unfair bus rules. (1 mark)

9. 9. Which brave person refused to give up their seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama? (1 mark)

10. 10. Why do people campaign for civil rights? A) To make money B) To create a fairer world* C) To stop people reading D) To change the weather (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of a 'Bridge of Friendship'. Ellie the Elephant is walking across it, and on the other side, she is meeting children from all over the world. Include symbols of peace like a dove or a sunshine.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are a reporter in history. Write a short paragraph (3-4 sentences) explaining why it is important to speak up when you see someone being treated unfairly.