

Ellie's Civil Rights Journey

Learning objective: To understand the key figures and concepts of the 20th-century Civil Rights Movement in the USA and the impact of the fight for equality.

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey through history! Read the questions carefully and use your knowledge of the fight for equality to answer. Good luck!

Answer Key: 1. B (Rosa Parks), 2. False, 3. Segregation, 4. C (Martin Luther King Jr.), 5. True, 6. A (Montgomery), 7. True, 8. Equality, 9. B (1960s), 10. True.

Word bank: Segregation · Equality · Protest · Boycott · Justice · Integration

1. 1. Who was the brave woman who refused to give up her seat on a bus in 1955? A) Harriet Tubman B) Rosa Parks* C) Maya Angelou D) Ruby Bridges (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: In many states in the 1950s, schools were fully integrated for all children regardless of their skin colour. (1 mark)

3. 3. What is the term for the system of keeping people of different races separate in public places? (One-word answer) (1 mark)

4. 4. Which famous leader gave the 'I Have a Dream' speech? A) Malcolm X B) Nelson Mandela C) Martin Luther King Jr.* D) John Lewis (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: A boycott is a form of peaceful protest where people refuse to buy from or use a service to bring about change. (1 mark)

6. 6. In which city did the famous bus boycott take place? A) Montgomery* B) New York C) Chicago D) Washington (1 mark)

7. 7. True or False: The Civil Rights Movement worked to ensure that all people had the same legal rights and opportunities. (1 mark)

8. 8. What is the word that means 'the state of being equal, especially in status, rights, and opportunities'? (One-word answer) (1 mark)

9. 9. During which decade did the American Civil Rights Movement see its most significant legislative victories? A) 1940s B) 1960s* C) 1980s D) 2000s (1 mark)

10. 10. True or False: Peaceful marches and speeches were common methods used by activists during the Civil Rights Movement. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a poster showing a message of peace and equality, inspired by the themes of the Civil Rights Movement.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are a reporter in 1963. Write a short diary entry (3-4 sentences) describing how you would feel attending a peaceful march for justice.