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Civil Rights Movement – Webquest

Directions: Complete the following questions using the link listed below.

<http://www.history.com/topics/black-history/civil-rights-movement>



1. In general, what is meant by civil rights?

2. According to the website, why is the history of black Americans and their strife for civil rights significant to the history of the United States?

3. Explain the significance of the Brown vs. Board of Education decision.

4. According to the website, even though the government had passed laws in favor of desegregation, why was "black activism" still necessary?

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5. Who was Rosa Parks, and what did she do?

6. What occurred as a result of Rosa Parks being arrested?

7. How is the response of the community to the Rosa Parks incident a fight for civil rights?

8. According to the website, what/who inspired Martin Luther King Jr.?

9. What event, related to the Civil Rights Movement, occurred in February of 1960? Explain its significance.

10. Explain the significance of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

11. What events brought about the creation of the Civil Rights Act of 1964?

12. Black residents in the Black Belt (Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi), many of whom had been involved in civil rights efforts since the 1940s and 1950s, emphasized _____ rather than _____ as a goal.

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13. Why do you suppose the residents of these states pushed for voter registration as such an important issue?

14. What is “Bloody Sunday”? Explain its significance.

15. What was the significance of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 in relation to the Civil Rights Movement?

16. Briefly explain the views of Malcolm X and how they differed from that of Martin Luther King Jr.

17. Explain the beliefs of the Black Panther Party in regards to the Civil Rights Movement.

18. According to the website, what led to a decline in protest activity after the 1960's?

19. What is the lasting legacy of the Civil Rights movement on America?

20. In what ways did the Civil Rights movement not only advance the rights of African Americans but other minority groups as well?

21. To what extent is racial discrimination still an issue that faces the United States (and the world) to this day?