

The Civil Rights Movement

1954-1965

Learning Targets

- Explain the details surrounding, and significance of, each of the following:
 - Resistance to the Brown decision
 - The Murder of Emmitt Till
 - The Montgomery Bus Boycott
 - Rosa Parks
 - Martin Luther King Jr.
 - The Little Rock 9

The Murder of Emmitt Till

- Who was he, and what happened to him?
- Why were the details of his funeral so important?
- How did the tension after *Brown vs. Board of Ed.* Help lead to his murder?
- How does his murder help kickstart the Civil Rights Movement?



The Montgomery Bus Boycott

- What happened here?
- How did the personalities of Rosa Parks and MLK make a difference?
- What tactics did the community use to pressure the city to end segregation?
- Describe the SCLC and their tactics after this?



The “Little Rock 9”

- What happened here?
- Describe the obstacles faced by the Little Rock 9.
- Explain the responses of both Gov. Faubus and Pres. Eisenhower.



The Nashville Sit-ins

- What happened here?
- Describe the efforts of Diane Nash, John Lewis and SNCC.
- What tactics did the community use to pressure the city to end segregation?
- How was SNCC different than the SCLC?



The Albany Movement

- How was the Albany movement different than earlier desegregation movements?
- How was the response by local law enforcement different?
- How does this highlight the differences between SNCC and SCLC?
- What lessons did movement leaders learn?



Birmingham

- Bull Connor
- Children?
- Dogs & Fire hoses
- Church Bombings
- Retaliation
- March on Washington
- Kennedy



Freedom Summer

- What was it?
- What happened?
- How does this event show you a change in the direction of the movement?
- Civil Rights Act of 1964
- Explain the MFDP and their role.
- What are the results?



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Selma

- What happened in Selma?
- Discuss the roles of the SCLC, SNCC, Malcolm X, and President Johnson.
- Voting Rights Act of 1965
- What were the results of the march at Selma?
- Why is this considered the “end” of the Civil Rights Movement?

