

## Big Idea: Civil Rights Movement



### Applications in Social Studies

The Civil Rights movement was a transforming time and continues to have effects worldwide. Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King, Jr. inspired efforts that pushed America to guarantee all citizens equal rights. Use these questions to deepen students' understanding of this critical time in history.

- Why and how do people struggle for social justice?
- What happens when people are denied civil rights?
- How can one person make a difference?
- What can we learn from the Civil Rights movement?
- Has the Civil Rights movement ended?

#### My Essential Questions

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### Applications in Language Arts

Literature has the power to make history come to life. The Civil Rights movement has inspired and continues to be the inspiration for poetry, fiction, drama, and other literature. Use these questions to help prepare students for reading literature about the Civil Rights movement.

- Why do writers continue to write about the Civil Rights movement?
- How does literature become a part of history?
- Why are speeches studied in both literature and social studies?

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