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Rosa Parks

Rosa Parks was an American civil rights leader who helped change history.

She was born on February 4, 1913, in Alabama, United States.

During her lifetime, many unfair laws separated Black people and white people.

These laws were called segregation laws. Black people were treated unfairly in schools, restaurants, and even on buses.

On December 1, 1955, Rosa Parks was riding a bus in Montgomery, Alabama.

When the bus became full, the driver told her to give up her seat to a white passenger. Rosa Parks refused.

She believed the law was unfair and wrong. Because she refused, she was arrested.

Her brave action inspired many people. Soon after, the Montgomery Bus Boycott began.

Thousands of Black citizens refused to ride the buses to protest segregation. The boycott lasted for more than a year.

Finally, the Supreme Court decided that bus segregation was illegal.

Rosa Parks became a symbol of courage, justice, and equality.

She showed that one small action can make a big difference.

Today, she is remembered as “The Mother of the Civil Rights Movement.”

Directions: Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the passage.

1. Rosa Parks was born in the state of _____.
2. The unfair laws were called _____ laws.
3. Rosa Parks was riding a _____ on December 1, 1955.
4. The city where this happened was _____.
5. The bus driver told her to give up her _____.
6. Rosa Parks was _____ for refusing to move.
7. The protest was called the Montgomery Bus _____.
8. The boycott lasted for more than a _____.
9. The Supreme Court decided that bus segregation was _____.
10. Rosa Parks is remembered as the Mother of the _____ Movement.