

Martin Luther King Jr.

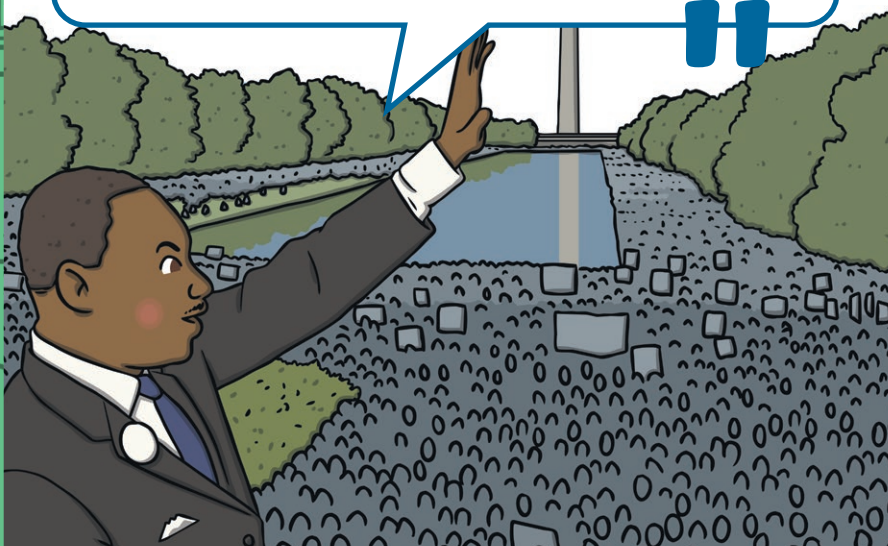


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Martin Luther King Jr. wanted all people to be treated the same. He once told people about his dreams. Here is a little bit of his speech.

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and White girls as sisters
and brothers.**



Martin liked to...



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play the piano



and go to school

when he was a child.

Things have become better for Black people in the USA because of Martin Luther King Jr. and others like him.

However, there is still progress to be made.

Questions

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- ☐ the USA
- ☐ Wales

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- ☐ his height
- ☐ his skin colour
- ☐ his job

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- ☐ playing sports
- ☐ playing games
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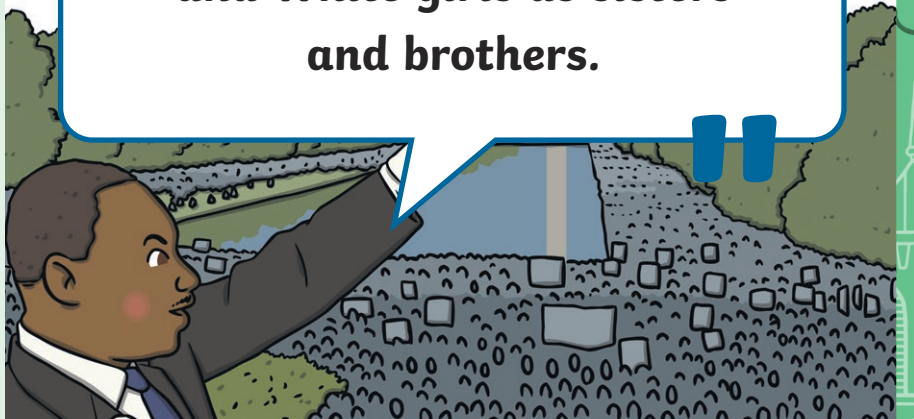
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He liked playing sports, playing the piano and going to school as a child. His life was often hard. Some people treated him differently because of the colour of his skin.

Times were hard for Black people in the USA. There were different areas for Black people and White people on buses, on trains and in parks.

Martin Luther King Jr. wanted all people to be treated in the same way. He spoke in front of a big crowd and told everyone about his dream. Here is a little bit of the speech that he made:

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☐ 1919

☐ 1920

☐ 1929

2. What did Martin Luther King Jr. like to play as a child? Tick one.

☐ the trumpet

☐ the piano

☐ the recorder

3. Draw **three** lines and complete each sentence.

People treated him
differently...

for Black people
in the USA.

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for Black people...

because of the colour
of his skin.

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and White people
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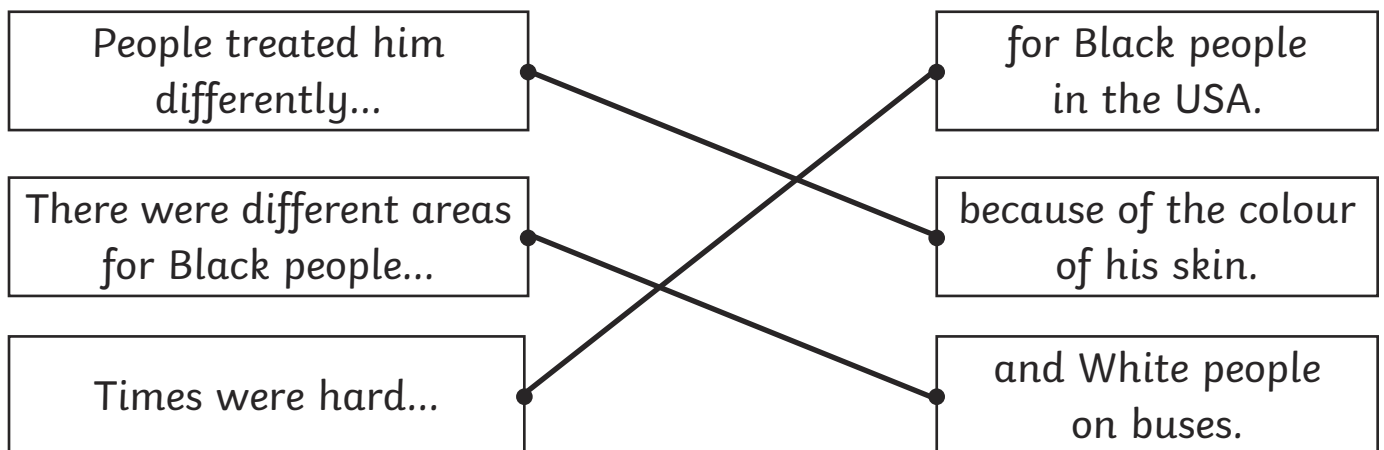
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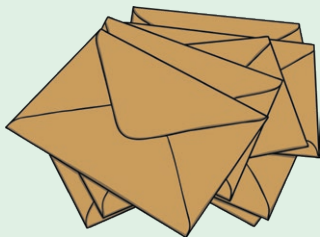
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Did You Know...?

It is because of Martin Luther King Jr. and others like him that the law was changed in the USA. The new law stated that everyone had the same rights regardless of skin colour. The law was also changed so that everyone could vote.



There is a national holiday in the USA to celebrate Martin Luther King's Jr. birthday every January.

Martin Luther King Jr. was born in 1929 in the United States of America, which is also known as the USA. He enjoyed going to school, playing sports and playing the piano. Sadly, his life was often difficult. Some people treated him differently because of the colour of his skin.

Times were particularly hard for Black people living in the USA in the 1960s.

There were separate areas for Black people and White people on buses, on trains, in parks and in restaurants.

Black children were not allowed to go to schools with White children. They had to go to separate schools but these schools didn't have many resources to help with their learning.

Martin Luther King Jr. wanted everyone to be treated in the same way. He led a huge march in the US capital of Washington DC in 1963. Martin Luther King Jr. made his famous **"I Have a Dream"** speech in front of an enormous crowd. Here is a short piece of that speech.

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- **separate**

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Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that Martin Luther King Jr. was a kind person because he worked hard to make sure that everyone was treated equally.