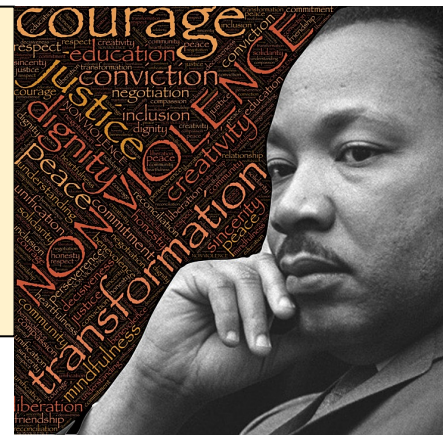


# Martin Luther King Web Quest



**Directions:** Follow each link to complete the following facts, questions, and discussion prompts regarding Martin Luther King, his life, and his importance to American history.

## Martin Luther King: Birth and Childhood

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/kidspost/what-was-martin-luther-king-jr-like-as-a-child-a-prankster-and-an-ordinary-kid/2017/01/13/391a384c-d853-11e6-9a36-1d296534b31e\\_story.html?noredirect=on&utm\\_term=.61163a958657](https://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/kidspost/what-was-martin-luther-king-jr-like-as-a-child-a-prankster-and-an-ordinary-kid/2017/01/13/391a384c-d853-11e6-9a36-1d296534b31e_story.html?noredirect=on&utm_term=.61163a958657)

According to the article, what was Martin Luther King often called as a child – what was his nickname?

Describe at least one “prank” that MLK used to pull during his early years.

When and where was MLK born?

What occupation ran in his family? Did he take up this occupation?

If you had to describe his father, how would you describe him and why?

How would you describe King as a student? Were you surprised by this? Why or why not?

## The Civil Rights Movement:

<https://www.history.com/topics/civil-rights-movement/civil-rights-movement-timeline>

Watch the short video at the top of the page. Overall, how would you describe the Civil Rights era in America and why?

How does this article define the civil rights movement? Include the time range.

What major event occurred in 1954? Why was it important for the movement?

What does Eisenhower sign in 1957? What does this act ensure?

What major event occurred in 1963? How was MLK involved?

What Act did Johnson sign in 1964? How was this a major win for the Civil Rights Activists?

## Martin Luther King: Famous Speeches

[https://www.syracuse.com/opinion/index.ssf/2015/01/martin\\_luther\\_king\\_jr\\_speeches.html](https://www.syracuse.com/opinion/index.ssf/2015/01/martin_luther_king_jr_speeches.html)

What is considered his earliest recorded speech? What major event of the civil rights movement was this speech associated with?

What speech did MLK give in 1962? Read the excerpt and quote your favorite part here.

Which MLK speech is considered one of the “greatest” in the 20<sup>th</sup> century? Watch the excerpt and quote a powerful statement here.

In 1964, MLK was the recipient of which prize? In his speech, what did he dedicate his prize to?	
In 1965, what did MLK speak against in Alabama? Watch the excerpts provided – from the videos, describe his attitude towards this subject.	
In 1967, explain the new cause that MLK began to fight and speak against?	
Describe the circumstances of MLK’ s last speech, given in 1968. How does it relate to his death? Listen to the excerpt before giving your answer.	
<p align="center"><b>Martin Luther King: His Assassination</b></p> <p align="center"><a href="https://kinginstitute.stanford.edu/encyclopedia/assassination-martin-luther-king-jr">https://kinginstitute.stanford.edu/encyclopedia/assassination-martin-luther-king-jr</a></p>	
When and where was MLK assassinated?	
How did his death impact America? Why do you think this reaction occurred?	
Who confessed to the crime?	
How did King want to be remembered after his death? Do you think he is remembered this way? Why or why not?	
How did the president and his family respond to his death?	
Describe the FBI investigation and the conviction of his alleged killer. Was it a simple one? Why or why not?	

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