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**The Civil Rights Movement: Action and Resistance Questions**

**Section 1- The Montgomery Bus Boycott**

Rosa Parks-

Martin Luther King Jr.-

1. Why did the boycott succeed? Were the actions of both the citizens of Montgomery as well as those of the US Supreme Court necessary for its success?
2. What do you think led Rosa Parks to decide to take a stand against discrimination and segregation?

**Section 2- “Massive Resistance” and the Little Rock Nine**

Desegregation-

Massive Resistance-

Southern Manifesto-

Little Rock Nine-

1. How do you think the “Southern Manifesto,” and Governor Faubus’s deployment of the Arkansas National Guard looked in the eyes of people outside the United States who looked to the country as a land dedicated to freedom?
2. Would Central High School have been successfully desegregated if the federal government had not aided local African American citizens?

**Section 3- The March of Washington**

The March on Washington-

“I Have a Dream” Speech-

1. How did the demands presented at the March on Washington reflect the evolving goals of the Civil Rights Movement?
2. What arguments did Dr. King make in his "I Have a Dream" speech? Why do you think the speech was so effective?
3. What was the outcome of the March on Washington? Did the news media play an important role?

**Section 4- The Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965**

Civil Rights Act of 1964-

George Wallace-

Edmund Pettus Bridge-

Bloody Sunday-

Voting Rights Act of 1965-

1. Which provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 do you think were the most important? Why?
2. How do you think the events of Bloody Sunday affected the Voting Rights Act?
3. What do you think Lyndon Johnson meant when he said that 'There is no Negro problem . . . There is only an American problem?"

**Section 5- SNCC and CORE**

Freedom Rides-

Sit-Ins-

1. What were the successes and challenges of the direct action, nonviolent protest strategy that both CORE and SNCC employed in the early 1960s?
2. Why did both CORE and SNCC increasingly turn away from nonviolence by the late 1960s? Do you think this turn was a good idea? Why or why not?

**Section 6- Black Power**

Black Power-

Malcolm X-

Nation of Islam-

The Black Panthers-

1. Was Black Power part of the Civil Rights Movement or was it opposed to the Civil Rights Movement?
2. How did the goals of the Black Power movement differ from those of more mainstream civil rights activists?
3. Compare the major demands of the Ten-Point Program with the goals of civil rights campaigns for voting rights and desegregation.
4. Why do you think the ideas of Black Power gained in popularity over the course of the 1960s?