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# EYES ON THE PRIZE The Civil Rights Movements: 1955 – 1965

## Montgomery Bus Boycott-1955:

6. What position in the NAACP did Rosa Parks hold in 1955?

7. Why was Rosa Parks arrested in 1955?

8. In response to the arrest of Parks, what did the black citizens of Montgomery do in 1955 - 1956?

- 9. How old was Martin Luther King Jr. when he was elected president of the SCLC?
- 10. How did the black community travel while boycotting public transportation in Montgomery?
- 11. What was the U.S. Supreme Court ruling in regards to public transportation in 1956?

### The Sit-ins – 1960s:

- 17. Name the leader of the sit-in movement and the goal of that movement.
- 18. The first sit-in took place on February 1, 1961. Name the store, city and state?
- 19. How many demonstrators were arrested at the first sit-in in Nashville, TN? \_\_\_\_\_\_ and who were the two student leaders of the sit-in?
- 20. How did the parents of the students arrested in Nashville respond to the city's actions?

21. The SCLS stands for \_\_\_\_\_\_

22. The SNCC stands for \_\_\_\_\_

23. The first major march of the Civil Rights movement started in the city of \_\_\_\_\_

#### Birmingham - 1963:

- 24. The governor of Alabama, George Wallace, stated "Segregation \_\_\_\_\_, Segregation \_\_\_\_\_."
- 25. Birmingham, Alabama was sometimes nicknamed \_\_\_\_\_\_ because to the violence due to racial discord in the 1950s and 1960s.
- 26. In Martin Luther King Jr.'s *Letter from a Birmingham Jail* he stated that "justice too long \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is justice \_\_\_\_\_\_\_."
- 27. How many school children were arrested at the end of the first day of the "Children's March" in Birmingham?
- 29. What tactics did Eugene "Bull" Conner employ to stop demonstrators from marching?
- 30. In August thousands of people marched in Washington D.C. and heard and a speech delivered by Martin Luther King Jr. What do you feel was the most inspiring part of his speech? Why?
- 31. In September of 1963 a bomb exploded injuring 15 people and killing \_\_\_\_\_\_ little girls. The bomb was planted at the \_\_\_\_\_\_ Baptist Church.

# **Reflection:**

What was most surprising from these clips? Would you be willing to risk your safety for a cause? What do you feel would be the most challenging or scary? Explain all your answers. Use the rest of the space provided!