

Minecraft: Education Edition Vocabulary Resource

Lesson Title: Civil Rights Movement

1. **Boycott**- A form of protest by a person, group, or organization by refusing to have any type of dealings with a person or organization, or by refusing to spend money with a business.
2. **Civil Rights Movement**- A social justice movement that focused on the rights that people have in a society to equal treatment and equal opportunities regardless of race, sex, religion, etc. The Civil Rights Movement in the 1960s US was about the rights of Black's throughout the US. Many of the significant events, or encounters, tended to occur around the unfair treatment of Blacks in the south.
3. **The Civil Rights Act of 1964**- Legislation signed into law by President Lyndon B. Johnson which guaranteed equal employment regardless of race, limited the use of voter literacy tests, and ensured public facilities were integrated.
4. **Discrimination**- The act of treating a person or group of people unfairly because of their race, sex, religion or other components of their identity as compared to the treatment of another group of people.
5. **Freedom Riders**- The group of people who participated in organized trips (bus/car) through the deep south in the 1960s as a way to protest against racism and segregation in the south specifically in public facilities such as bus terminals.
6. **Integration**- The act of combining previously racially segregated facilities into nonsegregated facilities.
7. **Jim Crow**- Laws or policies that were instituted, enacted, or acted upon as a result of many desegregation laws in order to ensure the continued segregation by other means of Black people from whites.

8. **Literacy Test**- A test given to determine if a person could read in order to vote. This was a tactic used to prevent blacks from voting in the south.
9. **Nonviolence** - Abstaining from the use of violence or physical force to achieve goals or civil rights.
10. **Poll Tax**- A tax levied against a person as a prerequisite to voting. This was a tactic used to prevent blacks from voting in the south.
11. **Prejudice**- An unreasonable bias or preconceived opinion, feeling, or attitude against a person or group of people based on race, sex, religion, etc.
12. **Racism**- The belief of an individual or result of a system that establishes a racial hierarchy in which one racial group is seen as superior to another. This can occur within systems as well as by individuals and does not have to be conscious or intentional.
13. **SCLC** – Southern Christian Leadership Conference, is a civil rights organization that was founded in 1957 as a regional organization that helped coordinate civil rights protests across the south.
14. **Segregation**- The practice of keeping people apart usually on the basis of race, sex, or religion.
15. **Sit-in**- A form of protest in which people go to a public place and sit there for a long period of time and refuse to move for the purpose of making a statement against injustice.
16. **SNCC** - Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee was a civil rights organization formed by students in the 1960s to achieve political and economic equality for black people.

External References

[Collins Dictionary](#)

[Merriam-Webster Dictionary](#)

[Cambridge Dictionary](#)

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