

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

# Listening for Details

*Listen to each sentence about Dr. King and answer the question that follows. Create your own questions to extend practice.*



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**Martin Luther King, Jr. was born and raised in Atlanta, Georgia.**

**Where did Martin Luther King grow up?**



**Martin Luther King, Jr. believed all Americans should be treated fairly, no matter what their skin color.**

**Who did he think should be treated fairly?**



**Martin Luther King was very smart and finished high school when he was only 15 years old.**

**How old was Martin Luther King when he finished high school?**



**Martin Luther King, Jr. believed in peace, not violence.**

**What did Martin Luther King believe?**

**Martin Luther King hated how blacks were treated differently than whites, especially in the south.**



**What did Dr. King hate?**

**Dr. King wrote six books about Civil Rights.**



**How many books did Dr. King write?**

**When he was 19, Martin Luther King, Jr. became a minister at a church in Alabama.**



**Where did Martin Luther King work at age 19?**

**Martin Luther King, Jr. was married to Coretta Scott in 1953. They later had four children.**



**How many kids did Martin & Coretta Scott King have?**



**Martin Luther King, Jr. was a leader who wanted to change unfair laws.**

**Who was Martin Luther King, Jr.?**



**Alabama had segregation laws, which kept white people separate from black people in places like schools and restaurants.**

**Where were blacks and whites kept separate?**



**On buses in Alabama, black people had to give up their seats to white people because of the law.**

**What did black people have to do on buses?**



**Dr. King wanted equality for all Americans, no matter their skin color.**

**What did Dr. King want?**

**Dr. King led peaceful protests against laws he felt were unfair.**



**What kind of protests did Martin Luther King lead?**

**In 1964, Dr. King won the Nobel Peace Prize for his work.**



**When did Dr. King win the Nobel Peace Prize?**

**In 1955, Rosa Parks, a black woman, refused to give up her bus seat to a white man, and was arrested.**



**Who wouldn't give up her bus seat?**

**After a black woman was arrested for not giving up her bus seat to a white person, Dr. King led a bus boycott, asking blacks to not ride the bus.**



**What did Dr. King ask black people to do?**

**The police used force against Dr. King and his followers, so some in his group were badly hurt.**



**Who was hurt?**

**In 1963, Dr. King spoke in Washington, D.C. and 250,000 people came to hear him speak.**



**Where did Dr. King speak in 1963?**

**In 1968, Dr. King was killed by a James Earl Ray. Many people were sad to hear the news of his death.**



**When was Martin Luther King killed?**

**In 1983, Congress picked the third Monday in January as a holiday to honor Dr. King.**



**Who decided when the holiday would be?**