## Rosa Parks

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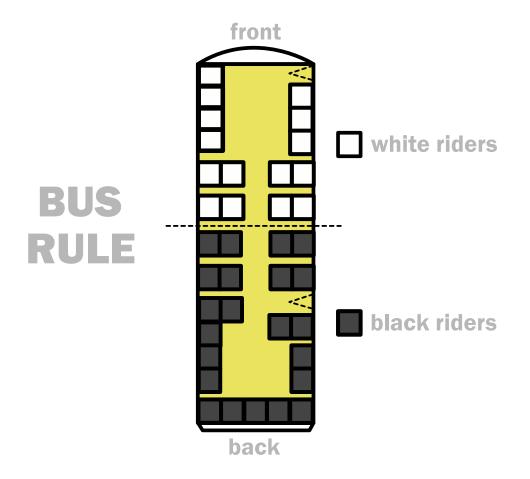
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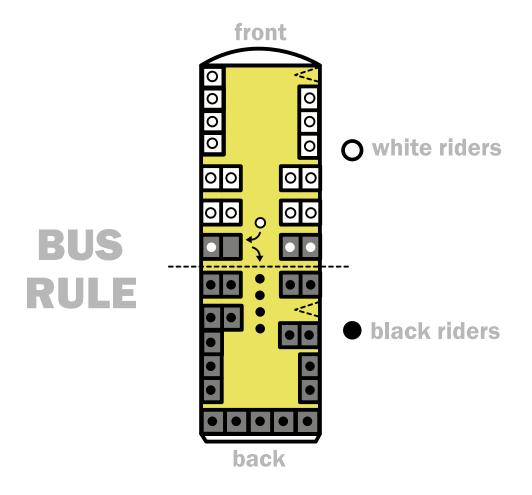
On December 1, 1955, a black woman was sitting on a bus. Her name was Rosa Parks.



The bus had rules for all riders. The rules for black riders were different and unfair.



One rule was that black bus riders were NOT allowed to ride in the front of the bus. Rosa Parks had to ride in the back of the bus.



Another rule was if the bus was full, black bus riders must give up their seat to white bus riders. Rosa Parks was asked to give up her seat.



Rosa Parks said, "NO!"

She did not want to give up her seat. Rosa Parks did NOT want to follow the rule. The rule was unfair!



The police came and arrested Rosa Parks. She was arrested for NOT giving up

her bus seat.





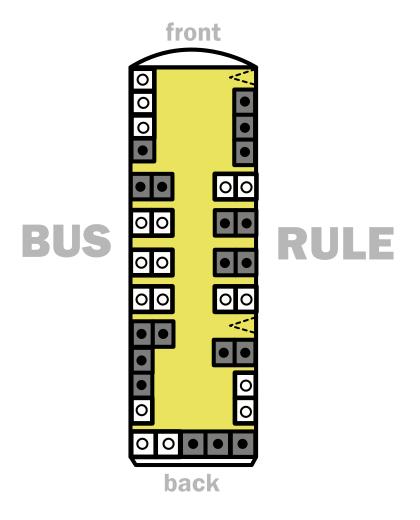


Other African-Americans wanted to stop this from happening again.

They had an idea!



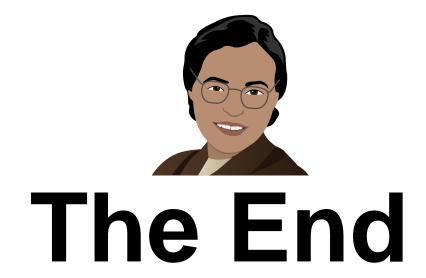
Most of the bus riders were black. If they stopped riding the bus, then the buses would lose money.



The idea worked! The buses lost a lot of money. They had to change the rules. The buses gave black bus riders the same rules as white bus riders.



Rosa Parks helped give
African-Americans equal
rights. She will always be
remembered as an important
woman in American history.







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