



Black History Month

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What is Black History Month About?

Black history month is a month where we celebrate, remember and appreciate everything that black people contributed and achieved. This is a month to remember the sacrifices that black people made, we regret having them in slavery and making them work hard for people just because of their skin colour. We are glad some escaped to Canada. We hope this will not happen again.

Why is Black History Month Important?

This month we are celebrating the black people that fought for the rights to be treated like any other person.

It was not fair that the black people got treated so poorly back in the 1800s. Some of the best singers, writers etc are black people. (eg. Martin Luther King Jr, Rosa Parks, etc)

If you're ever thinking about trying to discriminate against someone because of their skin colour or culture, well then think twice before you say something that could really hurt someone. People, no matter what skin colour they have they should have always been treated with respect and kindness.

How did Black History Month get started?

A man called Carter Woodson was learning about American history. He found that no one had written anything about black people. So later on in 1915 he and another man called Jesse E. Moorland founded *the Association for the Study of African American Life and History*.

So in 1926 Carter and the ASAALH launched a “Negro History Week” in February because it had both Frederick Douglass’ and Abraham Lincoln’s birthdays. That is why Black History Month is in February. Later it became more of a month. That is how Black History Month started.

Famous People in Black History

Famous Athletes

- Jackie Robinson
- Michael Jordan
- Jesse Owens
- Wilma Rudolph
- Gabby Douglas
- Tiger Woods
- Mike Tyson
- Frank Robinson
- Simone Manuel

Famous Musicians

- Louis Armstrong
- Stevie Wonder
- Marvin Gaye
- Charlie Parker
- Prince
- Whitney Houston
- Janet Jackson
- Jackson 5

Famous Black History Heroes

- Harriet Tubman
- Martin Luther King Jr.
- Nelson Mandela
- Barack Obama
- Malcolm X
- Rosa Parks
- Oprah Winfrey
- Maya Angelou
- Percy Julian
- George Washington Carver

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At the CROSSROADS

of
FREEDOM

and

EQUALITY LN

The
Emancipation
Proclamation
1863

Now is the time
to rise from the
dark and desolate valley of segregation to the

and the
MARCH
ON
WASHINGTON
1963



Some more about black history heroes

-Martin Luther King Jr. He is one of many famous black history heroes. He has made a big stand in the world with his speeches. He was a very respectable man.

-Rosa Parks. She did not want to sit on the back of the bus with the rest of the black people. She decided that she did not want to be treated differently so she made a stand and sat at the front of the bus not the back even though she died we remember her for her bravery.

-Barack Obama. He was the first African-American president of America. He has played a big role as the president of the United States of America. He is still working to improve the lives of other people to date. We thank him, and everything he did.

Here is a video on Black History Month.



A classroom scene where students are raising their hands in support of the Black Lives Matter movement. The text "Black Lives Matter" is overlaid in a large, white, cursive font. At the bottom, a caption reads "Put your hands up if you're down with the cause".

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