

Activity 1: Protest Signs

The Civil Rights Movement included a wide variety of protests, rallies, speeches, and organized events. The leaders of the African American community wanted to avoid resorting to violence.

At the top of the left hand page are a number of protest signs from the Civil Rights March on Washington, DC in 1963. Notice how these signs each express a goal that the African American community was trying to achieve.

In the space to the right, design your own protest sign for the Civil Rights Movement.

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fairly! Stop
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Your own protest sign

Activity 2: Segregation

On the bottom of the left-hand page is a copy of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which basically abolished all forms of segregation (*segregation occurs when two groups of people are prevented from coming in contact with one another*). In the early 1900s, African Americans had to attend different schools, use different bathrooms, and even drink from different water fountains.

The idea of segregation seems crazy in today's world. In the space below, write why you think that the legal segregation of the early 1900s was wrong. What kind of message did it send?

I think it's wrong because blacks and whites should get to be friends. I think sent bad message and made blacks feel bad because the whites stuff was better.