

## Martin Luther King Jr.



Martin Luther King Jr. was a leader. When he was young, there were many unfair laws. He worked to make laws fair.

King taught people to treat one another with kindness. He was a very good speaker. He spoke to large groups of people. He told them about his dream. His dream was that all people would be treated fairly. He wanted all kinds of people to live together in peace.

Today we honor Martin Luther King Jr. with a holiday. We celebrate his holiday every January.

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For questions 1–4, please circle the correct answer.

1. What problem did many laws have when Martin Luther King Jr. was young?
  - A) No one followed the laws.
  - B) The laws were unfair.
  - C) The laws were fair.
  
2. This passage describes Martin Luther King Jr. and the work that he did. How does the passage describe MLK Jr.?
  - A) a shy and quiet man
  - B) a leader and good speaker
  - C) a strong fighter
  
3. Martin Luther King Jr. *dreamed* that all people would be treated fairly and he *wanted* people to live together in peace. What does this tell us about life in America when MLK Jr. was alive?
  - A) People were not being treated fairly or living together in peace.
  - B) People in America had many friends and lived together happily.
  - C) There was a war in America with lots of fighting.
  
4. What is the main idea in “Martin Luther King Jr.”?
  - A) Martin Luther King Jr. was a great and important person.
  - B) Martin Luther King Jr. was the best American president.
  - C) Martin Luther King Jr. was a very good speaker.

5. How did Martin Luther King Jr. teach people to treat one another?

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6. Draw a picture of all kinds of people living together in peace.



7. What did you learn from "Martin Luther King Jr."?

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8. **Class Discussion Question:** Explain why Martin Luther King Jr. is an important person in American history and why we have a holiday to honor him.