

Title: Civil Rights Movement Causes Investigation

Unit: Civil Rights Movement

Topic: Causes of the Civil Rights Movement

Grade Level: 3

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the historical context of the Civil Rights Movement.
 2. Investigate and analyze the causes that led to the Civil Rights Movement.
 3. Develop a clear understanding of the importance of historical events in shaping the world we live in today.
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Student Instructions:

Welcome to our exploration of the Civil Rights Movement! Let's dive in and learn more about how this historical event came to be. In this project, you will be investigating some of the main causes of the Civil Rights Movement.

Step 1: Research

Choose one of the following topics to focus on for your investigation:

1. Segregation in schools
2. Voting rights
3. Discrimination in public places
4. Employment discrimination

Collect resources, such as books, articles, or videos, that provide information about the chosen topic and the role it played in starting the Civil Rights Movement.

Step 2: Analyze

After gathering your resources, carefully read, watch, or listen to them. Take notes about the following key points:

1. Facts about the chosen topic
2. How this topic contributed to the start of the Civil Rights Movement
3. The impact this topic had on African Americans in the 1950s and 1960s

Step 3: Write

Write a one-page report about your findings, using clear language and accurate information. Your report should:

1. Introduce the topic you chose
2. Describe the problem or issue that led to the Civil Rights Movement related to your chosen topic
3. Explain how the problem impacted African Americans during that time
4. Share some key facts or examples to support your points
5. Conclude by explaining the importance of addressing this issue to the start of the Civil Rights Movement

Step 4: Reflect

In conclusion, write a reflection on what you learned from this project and how it might relate to current events or issues.

Scaffolded Support:

- Here are some resources to get you started with your research: (provide list)
 - As a class, brainstorm together about the Civil Rights Movement and discuss any questions you might have before starting the project
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Rubric:

****Essay (25 points)**:** Accurate information, clear writing, organized, and follows the writing guidelines.

****Research (25 points)**:** Quality of resources used, thoroughness of the investigation, and validity of the facts presented.

****Reflection (15 points)**:** Thoughtful, insightful, and connects the topic to current events or issues.

****Partition (15 points)**:** Timely completion, effort put into the project, organization, and neatness.

Total Possible Points: 100

Multiple Versions:

For students at different reading levels, offer simplified research resources and modify the writing guidelines as needed. For Advanced students, challenge them with more complex sources and expect higher-level thinking in their analysis and reflection.