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## I Have A Dream

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### Introduction

On August 28th, 1963, civil rights activist Martin Luther King stood on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington after marching in front of whole crowd and delivered the 17 minute iconic and most famous speech, later known as "I Have a Dream". It can be stated without a doubt that Martin Luther King's speech "I have a dream" is among the most memorable and outstanding speeches up to date. It touches upon such themes as race, equality, plans and dreams, repression, religion, and visions of America, all of which can be considered relevant even today.



About -

Martin Luther King Jr. was a prominent social activist who led the American Civil Rights movement in the 1950's and 60's. Inspired by the ideologies of non-violence promoted by such historical figures as Gandhi, King spread the message of equality and social acknowledgment of injustice victims, African Americans, and low-income citizens. King's message in "I Have a Dream" was to demand racial justice and a diverse and integrated society. He alluded to the Bible, the United States Declaration of Independence, and the Gettysburg Address to support his argument about the necessity of American society to acknowledge the rights of minorities and underserved populations to create a diverse and strong country that would achieve success and reach the "American Dream". He acknowledged that his quest for equality was idealistic and ambitious to a large degree. However, King looked that all people in America would be considered equal. Only one interference with the "I Have a Dream" speech can be noted. Such interruption was the noise that the crowd made; people clapped, gasped, screamed, and cheered. While all of the sounds pointed to the specific emotions that the audience of the speech felt at that time, they interfered with the flow of the message.



## Conclusion -

In his speech, Martin Luther King used anaphora to emphasize the message he wanted to spread. He used the sentence "I have a dream" eight times in order to convey to the public his desires and aspirations of America becoming a great nation in which all people, regardless of their race or social position, were equal. Sadly, there is still an issue of injustice and inequality in American society, so King's message and vision can be considered relevant even in 2021.