| **Interactive**  **Notes** | Name: Dessa Shapiro  Date: 8/30/21  Class/Period: 1  Topic: English |
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| Current event: Al Sharpton, voting rights activists flock to Washington DC to march for federal election reforms  Notes about: summary and basic info. Opinions from different sources | |
| **Sources (APA format):**  Alaa Elassar, CNN. (2021, August 28). What you need to know about this weekend’s March On for Voting Rights. Retrieved August 30, 2021, from CNN website: <https://www.cnn.com/2021/08/28/us/march-on-for-voting-rights-what-to-know/index.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+rss%2Fcnn_latest+%28RSS%3A+CNN+-+Most+Recent%29>  Schultz, M. (2021, August 28). Al Sharpton, voting rights activists flock to Washington DC to march for federal election reforms. Retrieved August 30, 2021, from Fox News website: <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/voting-rights-activists-washington-march-federal-election-reforms>  Slodysko, B. (2021, August 28). Marchers across US call on Congress to bolster voting rights. Retrieved August 30, 2021, from AP NEWS website: <https://apnews.com/article/elections-voting-laws-voting-rights-e88531ad09c368872a51eeb1cd833838> | |
| [**Voting rights march: What to know about Saturday's March on Washington**](https://www.cnn.com/2021/08/28/us/march-on-for-voting-rights-what-to-know/index.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+rss%2Fcnn_latest+%28RSS%3A+CNN+-+Most+Recent%29)  **What happened:**  **Who:**  **When and where:**  [**https://www.foxnews.com/politics/voting-rights-activists-washington-march-federal-election-reforms**](https://www.foxnews.com/politics/voting-rights-activists-washington-march-federal-election-reforms)  **Extra information**  **Wording or focuses:**  [**https://apnews.com/article/elections-voting-laws-voting-rights-e88531ad09c368872a51eeb1cd833838**](https://apnews.com/article/elections-voting-laws-voting-rights-e88531ad09c368872a51eeb1cd833838)  **Extra information**  **Wording or focuses:**  **Differences I noticed from different sources :**  **Personal opinion:** | **Details/Answers/Explanation/Analysis**  Title: “What you need to know about this weekend's March On for Voting Rights” from CNN (main source used)   * People marched on Saturday to demand that Congress pass sweeping voting rights legislation and that state lawmakers halt efforts to enact bills that restrict voting access. * To protest the For the People Act ( a signature voting and election bill to counter state-level efforts to restrict voting access. Republicans denounced the bill as a federal overreach into state voting) * To convince lawmakers to pass the [John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act](https://www.cnn.com/2021/08/24/politics/john-lewis-voting-rights-advancements-act-house/index.html) (The bill will restore an aspect of the 1965 Voting Rights Act that allowed the Justice Department to block certain jurisdictions with a history of voter discrimination from changing their voting rules, that the suprem court abolished in 2013's Shelby County v. Holder case) * The event was organized by Martin Luther King III, the eldest son of Martin Luther King Jr., his wife, Arndrea Waters King, along with Rev. Al Sharpton, Andi Pringle and other voting rights leaders. * The event was planned in June one day after Senate Republicans blocked the For the People Act * Main march was in DC but there were others in Atlanta, Miami, Phoenix and Houston. * at the Lincoln Memorial to commemorate the 58th anniversary of the historic 1963 civil rights march on Washington where martin luther king jr said his I have a dream speech”   “Organizers are pressing for the Democratic-led Congress and White House to enact bold, sweeping election reforms they say are needed in the face of new voting laws in states like Texas and Florida.”    In 2017 the Senate Republicans changed the rules to allow for Supreme Court justices to win confirmation by just a majority vote.  With the Capitol in the backdrop, Sharpton declared: "We’re going to stay on you until you get your carving knife out again."  Used quote that seem very violent  Use the word *demand* whenever referring to what the protesters are asking for/ saying. Not that this is a bad word since this is a very serious issue but I feel it gives a negative connotation when overused.  “Sharpton called out President Biden in a fiery headline speech at the march where he demanded a carve-out to the filibuster to pass voting rights.”  The rallies intended to increase pressure on Democrats to rewrite rules that would allow Democrats to push the legislation through without Republican votes.  “Our country is backsliding to the unconscionable days of Jim Crow. And some of our senators are saying, ‘Well, we can’t overcome the filibuster,’” King told the crowd. “I say to you today: Get rid of the filibuster. That is a monument to white supremacy we must tear down.”  Trying to convince Joe Biden to become a more forceful advocate on the issue.   * Article mostly focuses on the republican vs. democrat aspect of it and individual states   I noticed that the story from CNN was mostly factual and gave more general information about the actual event. Unlike the fox article which focused a lot on who was there and what they said, they gave a lot of quotes given at the actual event. They also focused a lot more on the comparison with other rallies and protests. And the AP news focused a lot on the history and the democrat vs. republican side of things and also gave a lot of quotes and messages from the event.  I personally think that this was very necessary and is still very important. Anyone who is able to genuinely think that there are no prodigious laws in this country is just ignorant. And I think it is especially important to know about these things within our very heavily white community and look at the US from other perspectives to be a true alli.  **Summary/ script:** on Saturday august 29th People marched to demand that Congress pass sweeping voting rights legislation and that state lawmakers halt efforts to enact bills that restrict voting access. They marched To convince lawmakers to pass the [John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act](https://www.cnn.com/2021/08/24/politics/john-lewis-voting-rights-advancements-act-house/index.html) (This bill will restore an aspect of the 1965 Voting Rights Act that allowed the Justice Department to block certain jurisdictions with a history of voter discrimination from changing their voting rules.) The Voting Rights act was removed in 2013 in the Shelby county vs. holder case by the supreme court, the majority being republicans, for being a federal overreach into state voting and election systems. And an old fashioned system.Since the revolve of this law states such as Texas, North Carolina and Ohio have all made voter id laws that target certain people and prevent them from voting. This march mainly took place in DC at the Lincoln Memorial to commemorate the 58th anniversary of the historic 1963 civil rights march on Washington where Martin Luther king jr said his ``I have a dream speech” but there were other marches in Atlanta, Miami, Phoenix and Houston. The event was organized by Martin Luther King III, the eldest son of Martin Luther King Jr., his wife, Arndrea Waters King, along with Rev. Al Sharpton, Andi Pringle and other voting rights leaders. |