

Breaking Barriers in the US Civil Rights Book Assignment

Background:

Now that we have a basic overview of the Civil Rights Movement you must have noticed that all of the major achievements of the movement came from either individuals or groups forcing the states and federal governments into action. So it was individuals and groups who pushed the movement forward by breaking the barriers that prevented them from having equal treatment and rights.

Task:

Each of you has been assigned a book in which one of the main characters has to break one, or many, barriers that propels the Civil Rights Movement forward. Please take time over the next week to read your assigned book. While you are reading I would like you to keep notes so that you can participate in class discussions and make an infographic to share with the class.

Notes to take:

1. Create a character list where you also what they do and who they are. You should only keep this for characters that occur more than once in your book.
2. A short summary of what happens in every 1-2 chapters. You can use bullet points here just make sure that they will give you enough information to report back to the class.
3. Keep a list of barriers your main characters experience if these are laws please write down the specific ones so we can look back at them
4. Decide if you like the book

Final product:

Every couple of days you will either have a discussion question for us to answer or we will have a live zoom discussion. However at the end of this assignment you will be making an infographic about the book. More on that assignment once we finish our books

Due Date: Please read your book by 4/9 (I will do a check in on 4/2 of your progress as you all have different book lengths)