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Q1: Write a page on Nelson Mandela (his life briefly), about apartheid in South Africa and about the key problems in South Africa highlighted by Nelson Mandela in the video.

NELSON MANDELA:

Nelson Mandela was born into the Madiba clan in the village of Mvezo, in the Eastern Cape, on 18 July 1918. His mother was Nonqaphi Nosekeni and his father was Nkosi Mphakanyiswa Gadla Mandela, principal counsellor to the Acting King of the Thembu people, Jongintaba Dalindyebo. In 1930, when he was 12 years old, his father died and the young Rolihlahla became a ward of Jongintaba at the Great Place in Mqhekezweni.

Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela was a South African anti-apartheid revolutionary, political leader, social rights activist, and philanthropist who served as the first president of South Africa from 1994 to 1999. He was the country's first black head of state and the first elected in a fully representative democratic election.

APARTHEID IN SOUTH AFRICA:

Apartheid, (Afrikaans: “apartness”) policy that governed relations between South Africa’s white minority and non-white majority for much of the latter half of the 20th century, sanctioning racial segregation, political and economic discrimination against black. Although the legislation that formed the foundation of apartheid had been repealed by the early 1990s, the social and economic repercussions of the discriminatory policy persisted into the 21st century.

KEY PROBLEMS HIGHLIGHTED BY NELSON MANDELA:

In the video, Nelson Mandela talked about equality and unity of the nation. He told that all people should be given equal rights in every field of life. He strongly focused on the education system because the youth of today is the leader of tomorrow. He told that black people should also be given proper education and the government should build new schools to provide education to all. Moreover, he told that this fight and March will continue till this apartheid will be eradicated from us and a truly democratic government is made.

Nelson Mandela showed heroism through his selfless and dedicated acts by fighting to bring liberty and justice to his people and risking his life for the equality of all. Mandela was the first president of South Africa who fought daily to bring liberty and justice to his people.

By his struggle, Apartheid, the Afrikaans name given by white-ruled South Africa's Nationalist Party in 1948 to the country's harsh, institutionalized system of racial segregation, came to an end in the early 1990s in a series of steps that led to the formation of a democratic government in 1994.