

# Reading Passage: The Story of Rosa Parks(History 2)

Long ago, in the United States, there was a brave woman named Rosa Parks. Rosa was born in Alabama in 1913. She lived during a time when there were unfair rules for people because of the color of their skin.

In those days, Black people had to sit in the back of the bus and give up their seats to White people. They were not treated equally. Rosa Parks was tired of this unfairness.

One day in December 1955, Rosa Parks was on a bus after work. The bus driver told her to give up her seat for a White person. Rosa was brave and said no. She stayed sitting where she was. This made the bus driver and other people on the bus angry.

The police were called, and Rosa Parks was arrested. This event started a big movement called the Civil Rights Movement. People all across America protested and wanted equal rights for everyone.

Rosa Parks became famous for her bravery. She showed that one person can make a big difference. Her actions helped change unfair laws. Now, everyone can sit wherever they want on the bus.

Rosa Parks is remembered as a hero. Her birthday, February 4, is celebrated as Rosa Parks Day in some places. Her courage inspired many people to stand up for what is right.



# **Multiple Choice Questions**

- 1. Where was Rosa Parks born? a) New York b) Alabama c) California d) Texas
- 2. Why was Rosa Parks arrested? a) She was singing loudly b) She didn't give up her seat for a White person c) She stole something d) She was sleeping on the bus
- 3. What movement did Rosa Parks start? a) The Space Race b) The Civil Rights Movement c) The Women's Rights Movement d) The Environmental Movement
- 4. What did Black people have to do on the bus? a) Sit in the front b) Stand up all the time c) Give up their seats to White people d) Drive the bus
- 5. What year did Rosa Parks refuse to give up her seat? a) 1945 b) 1955 c) 1965 d) 1975
- 6. How did Rosa Parks change unfair laws? a) By protesting and speaking out b) By becoming a police officer c) By moving to a different city d) By writing a book
- 7. What is Rosa Parks remembered as? a) A singer b) A hero c) A teacher d) A scientist
- 8. What day is celebrated as Rosa Parks Day? a) January 1 b) February 4 c) March 17 d) April 22
- 9. What did Rosa Parks' courage inspire people to do? a) Dance b) Play sports c) Stand up for what is right d) Watch TV
- 10.What did Rosa Parks show with her actions? a) That it's fun to ride the bus b) That one person can make a big difference c) That everyone should sit in the front d)

  That laws are not important



# **Answers and Explanations**

# 1. b) Alabama

Explanation: Rosa Parks was born in Alabama.

# 2. b) She didn't give up her seat for a White person

 Explanation: Rosa Parks was arrested because she refused to give up her seat for a White person on the bus.

### 3. b) The Civil Rights Movement

• Explanation: Rosa Parks' actions started the Civil Rights Movement.

# 4. c) Give up their seats to White people

 Explanation: Black people had to give up their seats to White people on the bus.

#### 5. **b) 1955**

Explanation: Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat in December 1955.

# 6. a) By protesting and speaking out

 Explanation: Rosa Parks changed unfair laws by protesting and speaking out against segregation.

### 7. **b) A hero**

 Explanation: Rosa Parks is remembered as a hero for her bravery and actions.

#### 8. **b) February 4**

Explanation: February 4 is celebrated as Rosa Parks Day in some places.

#### 9. c) Stand up for what is right

 Explanation: Rosa Parks' courage inspired people to stand up for what is right and fight against injustice.

#### 10.b) That one person can make a big difference

 Explanation: Rosa Parks showed with her actions that one person can make a big difference in the world.