Martin Luther King, Jr. Quiz 2

Grades 6-12

1. Which church did Martin Luther King, Jr. pastor in Atlanta?
   a. Ebenezer Baptist Church
   b. First Baptist Church of Atlanta
   c. Dexter Avenue Baptist Church

2. Which event led to the creation of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)?
   a. The March on Washington
   b. The March from Selma to Montgomery
   c. The Montgomery Bus Boycott

3. Why did Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference decide to march from Selma, Alabama to Montgomery?
   a. to protest voting restrictions placed on African Americans
   b. to protest segregation that took place on Montgomery busses
   c. to protest segregation in all public places

4. Whose ideals and practices influenced the nonviolent protest strategy of Martin Luther King, Jr.?
   a. Abraham Lincoln
   b. Mahatma Gandhi
   c. Medgar Evers

5. Toward the end of his life, many civil rights leaders began criticizing Martin Luther King, Jr. for his strategies. What did they say?
   a. that he wasn’t confrontational enough
   b. that his protest were too disruptive
   c. that he should focus more on protesting racial segregation in Montgomery schools
6. In which speech did Martin Luther King, Jr. say that he dreamt of a day that his four children would not be “judged by the color of their skin but the content of their character?”
   a. “I’ve Been to the Mountaintop”
   b. “I Have a Dream”
   c. “The American Dream”

7. Which U.S. president signed the Voting Rights Act of 1965?
   a. President John F. Kennedy
   b. President Lyndon B. Johnson
   c. President Dwight D. Eisenhower

8. Which law banned discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex and national origin in public places and employment?
   a. Voting Rights Act of 1965
   b. Civil Rights Act of 1964
   c. Civil Rights Act of 1965

9. Which is NOT true about the Montgomery Bus Boycotts?
   a. The protests lasted for 13 months.
   b. At the end, the Supreme Court ruled that bus segregation is unconstitutional.
   c. About 90 of Montgomery’s African American population participated in the boycott.
   d. It led to the creation of the Montgomery Improvement Association, of which Martin Luther King Jr. was president.

10. When was Martin Luther King, Jr. assassinated?
    a. April 4, 1968
    b. March 4, 1967
    c. January 7, 1968
ANSWERS:

1. A
2. C
3. A
4. B
5. A
6. B
7. B
8. B
9. D
10. A

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