



Smithsonian's History Explorer Podcast

Teacher Guide



Memorializing Martin Luther King, Jr.

with Harry Clarke

Podcast Link: <https://americanhistory.si.edu/sites/default/files/podcasts/MLK.mp3>

Pre-Listening Questions

- What do you know about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.?
- What do you know about how MLK was involved in the African American Civil Rights Movement?
- Why do we celebrate MLK day?

Discussion Questions

- What surprised you most about the podcast? Why?
- How has your perception of MLK and the Civil Rights Movement changed?
- What can you do to change our country for the better today? How will you do it?

Related Resources—for continued instruction or resources for your students' research

- MLK: The Assassination Tapes
<http://www.smithsonianchannel.com/sc/web/show/141155/mlk-the-assassination-tapes>
- I have a dream: What you didn't know about MLK's speech
<http://www.freep.com/article/20130828/NEWS07/308280109/>
- One Life: Martin Luther King Jr.
<http://www.npg.si.edu/exhibit/MLK/portraits.html>
- Martin Luther King, Jr., through the Scurlock lens:
<http://blog.americanhistory.si.edu/osaycanyousee/2011/08/martin-luther-king-jr-through-the-scurlock-lens.html>

Related Standards for U.S. History (National Center for History in the Schools)

- Era 9: Postwar United States (1945 to early 1970s)
 - Standard 4: The struggle for racial and gender equality and the extension of civil liberties

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Name:

Date:

Period:

Topic:

Pre-Listening vocabulary—define these words:

Bob Moses:

Fannie Lou Hamer:

White Citizens' Council:

Pre-Listening (leave space after your questions to answer them as you listen):

What basic understanding questions do you have about this topic?

What thought questions do you have about this topic?

Post-Listening:

What new thought questions do you have?

Of all your thought questions, which few are especially important to the topic? Why?

Which is the most important thought question? Why?

What steps would you take to find the answer to the most important thought question?

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