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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
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Martin Luther King Jr. was born on January 15, 1929 in Atlanta, Georgia. Martin Luther King Jr. or (MLK), "never bucked down from standing against racism." According to National Geographic Kids, MLK had 4 children. Later in his life he got arrested several times. MLK also received the Noble Peace Prize from Gunnar Jahn on December 10, 1964.

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In 1963 MLK presented a speech called, "I Have A Dream". King stated, "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their characters." He gave this speech at the "March On Washington". This speech, however important and high it is, also contributed to a milestone in ending segregation.

Martin Luther King Jr. stood up to his community when he gave his speech and helped end racism. MLK dedicated his life to achieving equality and justice for all Americans of all colors. King also played a key role in the Civil Rights Movement. He had demonstrations and peaceful protests to help gain equality for all.

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"I am happy to join with you today in what will go down in history as the greatest demonstration for freedom in the history of our nation," stated MLK at his famous, "I Have A Dream," speech. MLK believed that him and the others should not keep being treated the way that all the negroes were being treated. He stood up for what he believed in. Rosa Parks was sent to jail just because she was sitting in the whites section of the bus. Now we have freedom and also remembrance of MLK. Sadly MLK was assassinated on April 4, 1968.

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