

Civil Rights Movement Project Ideas

Project Ideas

Choose any of the projects below to do on the American Civil Rights Movement. This topic includes anything from 1955 to 1975 that involved the struggle of African Americans to obtain rights and equality in the United States. This time frame should give you plenty of information to work with, but if you want something out of this time frame, ask Mr. G.

You should make it a goal to reach at least the 60 points that this project is worth.

Step One – Research! All information for each of the projects must be put into MLA format works cited. You must then summarize in complete sentences a paragraph about what information you got from each individual source. You may use Wikipedia as a source but you must use at least three others.

Step Two – Do the projects! Put a lot of effort into this!

Video Newscast - 30 Points

Team up with a classmate and create a 4 minute newscast for an event from the Civil Rights movement of the 1960s. Must pretend you are taping this from the day it happened. Include pictures and factual information.

3	2	1
At least 4 minutes	2-4 minutes long	Less than 2 minutes long
Shows understanding of event	Shows somewhat understanding	Shows little to no understanding
Has works cited information done correctly	Works cited information does not include summary of information	Poorly put together works cited that lacks requirements
Factual information	Somewhat factual information	Not quite factual information
Seems to be from the time of the event		Doesn't seem to be from that time

Research Paper – 30 Points

Research and event from the Civil Rights Movement and explain it in detail and its importance. Event must get prior approval by Mr. G. Must be at least five paragraphs (four sentences each)

10	5	1
Paper shows understanding of the topic chosen to research.	Paper somewhat shows understanding of the topic chosen to research.	Paper shows no understanding of the topic chosen to research.
Explains in detail the importance of this event to the Civil Rights Movement	Slightly explains in detail the importance of this event to the Civil Rights Movement	Doesn't explain in detail the importance of this event to the Civil Rights Movement
Sources of information is cited in correct format	Sources of information is cited but not in correct format	Sources are not cited

Timeline - 20 Points

Create an online timeline using a timeline generator from Mr. G's website or Prezi. Include at least 10 events and explain their importance to the movement.

5	4	3	2	1
10 Events from Civil Rights Movement	8-9 Events from Civil Rights Movement	6-7 Events from Civil Rights Movement	4-5 Events from Civil Rights Movement	Less than 4 events from Civil Rights Movement
Has works cited information done correctly		Works cited information does not include summary of information		Poorly put together works cited that lacks requirements
Explains the importance of 10 events	Explains the importance of 8-9 events	Explains the importance of 6-7 events	Explains the importance of 4-5 events	Explains the importance of less than 4 events
Factual information used	Mostly factual information used	Somewhat factual information used	Not quote factual information used	No factual information used

Memorial - 20 Points

Design a memorial for the Civil Rights Movement to put in Washington DC. Include an explanation of why you chose this design and what it has to do with the Civil Rights Movement.

5	3	1
Has to do with the Civil Rights Movement	Somewhat has to do with the Civil Rights Movement	Doesn't really have to do with the Civil Rights Movement
Explanation is clear as to why this design is chosen	Explanation is somewhat clear	Explanation is not clear
Includes creative drawing that shows a lot of effort	Includes a somewhat creative drawing that shows a little effort	Shows no effort or creativity put into it
Sources of information is cited in correct format	Sources of information is cited but not in correct format	Sources are not cited

Comic Strip - 20 Points

Create a six panel comic strip about ONE event that was important to the Civil Rights Movement.

5	3	1
Has to do with the Civil Rights Movement	Somewhat has to do with the Civil Rights Movement	Doesn't really have to do with the Civil Rights Movement
Meets requirements of six panel comic strip on one event	Somewhat meets requirements	Does not meet requirements of project
Includes creative drawing that shows a lot of effort	Includes a somewhat creative drawing that shows a little effort	Shows no effort or creativity put into it
Sources of information is cited in correct format	Sources of information is cited but not in correct format	Sources are not cited

FakeBook - 20 Points

Create a FakeBook for either Malcolm X or Martin Luther King, Jr. and include at least five friends, ten wall posts showing understanding of the events in their life, and three additional posts from their friends.

5	3	1
Shows events from their life having to do with the Civil Rights Movement	Somewhat shows events from their life having to do with the Civil Rights Movement	Does not shows event from their life having to do with the Civil Rights Movement
10 wall posts are accurate	5 accurate wall posts	At least 1 accurate wall post
Includes 5 friends and additional posts by them	Includes at least 3 friends and at least 1 post by them	Shows no friends and no posts
Sources of information is cited in correct format	Sources of information is cited but not in correct format	Sources are not cited

Advertisement – 20 Points

Create a creative advertisement to draw in people to the March on Washington.

5	3	1
Depicts the March on Washington well (DOUBLE)	Somewhat depicts the March on Washington well (DOUBLE)	Does not show understanding of the March on Washington at all (DOUBLE)
Has factual information about the March on Washington	Has somewhat factual information about the March on Washington	Has no information
Sources of information is cited in correct format	Sources of information is cited but not in correct format	Sources are not cited

Animoto – 10 Points

Create an Animoto video of at least 30 seconds that portrays the events of the Civil Rights movement in at least 10 pictures! Be prepared to explain!

5	3	1
Shows events having to do with the Civil Rights Movement	Somewhat shows events having to do with the Civil Rights Movement	Does not shows event having to do with the Civil Rights Movement
Sources of information is cited in correct format	Sources of information is cited but not in correct format	Sources are not cited

Collage or Glogster - 10 Points

Create a collage covering the events of the Civil Rights Movement

5	3	1
Includes at least 10 pictures from the Civil Rights Movement and many additional words	Includes at least 5 pictures from the Civil Rights Movement and some additional words	Includes at least 3 pictures from the Civil Rights Movement and an additional word
Sources of information is cited in correct format	Sources of information is cited but not in correct format	Sources are not cited