

MLK Day – Timeline Worksheet

Grades 3-5 | Advanced

Instructions:

The events below are from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s life, but they are OUT OF ORDER. Read each event carefully, then write numbers 1 to 8 in the boxes to arrange them in chronological order (from earliest to latest).

A

August 28, 1963

Dr. King delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech to over 250,000 people at the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom.

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B

January 15, 1929

Martin Luther King Jr. was born in Atlanta, Georgia. His birth name was Michael King Jr., but later changed to Martin.

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C

December 10, 1964

Dr. King received the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo, Norway, becoming the youngest person at that time to receive this honor.

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D**December 1955 - December 1956**

Dr. King led the Montgomery Bus Boycott for 381 days after Rosa Parks was arrested, which successfully ended bus segregation in Montgomery.

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E**1948**

Dr. King graduated from Morehouse College in Atlanta with a degree in sociology and was ordained as a Baptist minister.

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F**April 16, 1963**

While imprisoned in Birmingham, Alabama, Dr. King wrote his famous "Letter from Birmingham Jail" defending nonviolent resistance.

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G**April 4, 1968**

Dr. King was assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee, where he had gone to support striking sanitation workers.

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H**January 20, 1986**

Martin Luther King Jr. Day was celebrated for the first time as a federal holiday in the United States.

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