

**U.S. Government**  
**Video: A Time for Justice**

1. What single act wrote black people out of the political system?
2. How old was Emmett Till? Why was he murdered?
3. What does it mean in the film when it says that Mose Wright "knew his place"?
4. Emmett Till was from Chicago. Why is this significant?
5. What did Emmett Till's mother ask to be done at his funeral? Why was this important to the Movement?
6. What was the race of the jury for Emmett's trial? Why was this important?
7. Where were Blacks in the courtroom during Emmett's trial? What does this tell you?
8. A few months later, Blacks met at Holt Street Baptist Church in Montgomery to discuss their continued abuse. What event had happened only a few days earlier that prompted this meeting?
9. What race were the bus drivers of the all-black routes? How did they treat the paying customers?

- If passengers didn't do what the drivers said, what would happen?
10. What did Blacks do instead of taking the bus?
  11. How many days did Blacks stay off of the buses?
  12. One of the Little Rock Nine, as they were known, said that going to school every day was like going to war every day. What did he mean by this?
  13. The Little Rock Nine inspired young college students to action. What was the first thing they organized in the winter of 1960?
  14. What philosophy did the Movement use?
  15. In Virginia and the Carolinas, the Freedom Riders suffered intimidation. What happened once they got to the Deep South?
  16. One of the Freedom Riders said "our bodies became living witnesses to the cause of human dignity." What does this mean?
  17. Who was killed in the Sunday morning bombing at the Birmingham Sixteenth Street Baptist Church? Who did the bombing?
  18. What happened to Michael Schwerner, James Chaney and Andrew Goodman? Why did their deaths bring national attention?

19. Who was charged with the killing of the three civil rights workers? Were they convicted?

20. Who do you see participating in the march from Selma?

Reflect on the film that you saw today. Read through the questions and your answers. In a paragraph, explain why it required such extreme personal and public sacrifices to finally convince the Federal Government that civil rights needed to be enforced by the Federal Government and that new laws, protecting the rights of all Americans, needed to be passed?