Civil Rights Movement

**Part One: Key People**

Directions: Fill in your chart below using the descriptions provided on the second handout. Each person may have multiple things written next to their name from the descriptions sheet. Each person will have SOMETHING written next to their name. Good luck!

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| Person | Known For: |
| Martin Luther King Jr. | Organized the Montgomery Bus BoycottFounder of the Southern Christian Leadership ConferenceGave the famous “I Have a Dream” SpeechWrote “Letter From Birmingham Jail”Supported Non-violent protests Assassinated by James Earl Ray |
| Malcolm X | Malcolm Little was his name at birthMember of the Nation of IslamWanted a separate society for African AmericansIdeas formed the basis for the Black PanthersSupported use of violence |
| James Meredith | First to integrate the University of Mississippi |
| Rosa Parks | Refused to give up her seat leading to the Montgomery Bus Boycott |
| Stokely Carmichael | Used the slogan “Black Power” as his battlecryLeader of the SNCC |
| Thurgood Marshall | First African American Supreme Court JusticeLawyer for the NAACP |
| Betty Friedan | Founder of NOWWrote *The Feminine Mystique* |
| Gloria Steinem | Publisher of Ms. Magazine, designed to treat contemporary issues from a feminist perspectiveHelped found the National Women’s Political Caucus, encouraging women to seek political office |
| Rachel Carson | Supported changes for the environment to prevent pollutionAgainst the use of DDTWrote Silent Spring |
| Cesar Chavez | Fought for the rights of migrant farm workersHelped found the National Farm Workers Association |
| Bob Dylan | Wrote protest songs like “Blowing in the Wind” and “A Hard Rain is Gonna Fall” |
| Joan Baez | Greatest known female folk artist during the 1960’s. Sang “Oh Freedom” at the March on Washington |
| Ralph Nader | Wrote “Unsafe At Any Speed”Helped establish safety standards for U.S. automobiles and tires |
| Tom Hayden | Leader of the New Left MovementFounded the Students for a Democratic Society |

**Part Two: Key Groups**

Directions: Fill in your chart below using the descriptions provided on the second handout. Each group may have multiple things written next to their name from the descriptions sheet. Each group will have SOMETHING written next to their name. Good luck!

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| Group | Known For:  |
| New Left | The growing youth movement of the 1960sWanted sweeping changes in American society, including a focus on Civil Rights and povertyKey organizations associated with the movement were the SDS and Free Speech Movement |
| Southern Christian Leadership Conference | Founded by Martin Luther King Jr.Advocated non-violent protestsDirector, Ellen Baker, later helped to start SNCCGroup behind the Birmingham segregation protests |
| Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee | Began at Shaw University in Raleigh, NCLed by Stokely CarmichaelEventually advocated violence and a focus on African-American prideStopped recruiting whites (here or also with Black Panthers) |
| Black Panthers | Founded due to the ideas of Malcolm XStarted by Huey Newton and Bobby SealeWanted self-sufficiency for African-American communitiesMembers wore leather jackets, black berets, and sunglasses- known for violence |
| Congress of Racial Equality | Organized the first sit-ins, including the very first in Greensboro, NCGroup behind the Freedom Rides |
| NOW | Founded by Betty FriedanPushed for the creation of child-care facilities that would enable mothers to pursue jobs and educationStaged a rally at the 1968 Miss America PageantFought against gender discrimination in hiring |
| American Indian Movement | Militant group fighting for the rights of Native AmericansStarted out as a group to fight police brutality, but branched out to protect the rights of Native American populationsSuccessfully fought against the Termination Policy, which wanted to end reservations |

**Part Three: Key Events**

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| Event | Known For:  |
| *Brown v. Board of Education* | Ruling stated that “Separate but equal was inherently unequal”Began the integration of public schools in America |
| Freedom Rides | Led by COREAttempted to integrate American busesViolence against the riders led to intervention by JFK that included banning segregation in many key areas |
| 24th Amendment | Banned poll taxes in voting |
| March on Washington | Location of Martin Luther King’s famous “I Have a Dream” SpeechAttended by over 250,000 peopleFirst televised civil rights demonstration |
| Civil Rights Act of 1964 | Passed during Lyndon Johnson’s administrationProhibited discrimination because of race, religion, national origin, and genderIt gave all citizens the right to use libraries, parks, washrooms, restaurants, theaters, etc. |
| Voting Rights Act of 1965 | Passed during Lyndon Johnson’s administrationEliminated literacy tests in voting and allowed the national government to take over voting registration in states that attempted to eliminate black votersAllowed for the tripling of African American voters in the South |
| Open Housing Law of 1968 | Passed during Lyndon Johnson’s administrationBanned discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of housing |
| Title IX | Banned discrimination against female athletic programs in schools |
| Equal Rights Amendment | Guaranteed that men and women would enjoy the same rights and protections under the lawPhyllis Schlafly fought against thisFighting against this law led to the emergence of the New RightEventually it was defeated and did not get ratified |
| *Roe v. Wade* | Legalized abortion through the first 3 months of pregnancy |
| Clean Air Act | Passed during Nixon’s administrationAllowed Congress to regulate emissions by companies and set standards for pollution control |
| Clean Water Act | Passed during Nixon’s administrationAllowed Congress to regulate waste dumping into waterways and minimize water pollution |
| Chernobyl | April 26th, 1986Took place over modern-day Ukraine- worst nuclear disaster in historyMany people died and was cited as the cause of numerous cancers and birth defects |
| Three Mile Island | March 28th, 1979A nuclear reactor overheated in Harrisburg, PennsylvaniaNo one died or was injured, but it restarted the debate over the safety of nuclear energy |