

Harlem Renaissance 1910-1930s

By Mrs. Hedley (exemplar)

Black culture flourishes in New York City

- The Harlem area of New York City is home to many Black residents in this time period.
- From 1910 to 1920, an event known as the Great Migration takes place, with a sudden surge of Black people moving to this area in northern Manhattan. In addition, poor crops in the South and more jobs in the North draw more Black migrants to New York in 1915-16.
- There is a social and cultural explosion in Harlem at this time, as Black artists, writers, and musicians explore and celebrate their shared experiences and culture.
- This kicks off a Black Pride movement and sets the stage for the Civil Rights movement to follow.

Many famous writers and performers get their start

- Writers include Langston Hughes, Zora Neale Hurston, Countee Cullen and others;
- Musicians include Louis Armstrong (famous jazz trumpeter), Duke Ellington, Fats Waller and Cab Calloway.
- Singers include Bessie Smith, Paul Robeson and Josephine Baker, who becomes famous for her scandalous outfits!
- The Great Depression in the 1930s signals the end of the Harlem Renaissance, which begins to dwindle because people do not have the money to indulge in concerts, nightclubs, etc.

Source: <u>https://www.history.com/topics/roaring-twenties/harlem-renaissance</u>



- <u>https://www.britannica.com/biography/Jackie-Robinson</u>
- <u>https://www.jackierobinson.org/blog/9-fun-facts-jackie-robinson/</u>

Who is he?

- Jackie Robinson is the first black person to play in the American major baseball leagues in the 20th century, and he's most known for his role as an infielder and an outfielder on the Dodgers team. He is an incredible athlete, and is forever remembered for it.
- He is a very honourable player, both on the field and off. He has shown incredible effort on field, having won two awards: Rookie of the Year, as well as MVP, Most Valuable Player, but his kind heart for those in a similar position to him shows his sincerity off field.
- Despite his success, many people don't support him being on the team—fans treat him horribly, throwing insults at him and abusing him, and, at times, even throwing bottles at him in anger. Players on the opposite team specifically pitch balls right at Jackie's head, and intentionally make the game harder for him through violence.
- Jackie plays a variety of sports at UCLA such as football, basketball, track and field, baseball, and is an accomplished tennis player. He serves as a lieutenant in the US army in World War II.

More About Jackie Robinson

Career:

- Jackie Robinson's attendance at Pasadena Junior College for three years shows us his desire for knowledge and a strong education, and transferring to UCLA for 1 year further emphasises that. Graduation at UCLA is a significant milestone in his life, as one can imagine.
- Playing football for the Honolulu Bears in Hawaii for one year is a highlight in Jackie's life so far. Even a year later, he is still full of so much passion—he manages to get himself inducted into a segregated section of the US army, which causes him to get arrested for refusing to move to the back of a military bus.
- Leaving the army is wonderful for Jackie, for he gets to play for a number of different baseball teams. He has quite the winning streak, but decides to make the shocking decision to retire from baseball in 1957.

Fun Fact:

- Roosevelt is Jackie Robinson's middle name, after President Teddy Roosevelt, having died 25 days before Jackie arrives. Jackie uses his celebrity status to gain awareness for injustices, and he plays a major role in the Civil Rights Movement, so he, too, has earned himself quite the reputation.

Emmett Till Murdered - 1955

By: Tobi

August 24, 1955

- Emmett Till is visiting some family and friends.
- He is visiting his family who lives in Money, Mississippi and is 14 years old. He grew up in a working-class neighborhood on the South of Chicago.
- He brags about having a white girlfriend back home, in Chicago, so his friends challenge him to ask Carolyn Bryant who was working behind a store counter, for a date.
- Roy Bryant, the woman's husband, heard about what happened in the store that day, after returning from his trip. Roy Bryant is enraged after hearing these false claims.

August 28, 1955

- Roy Bryant and his half-brother, J.W. Milam, go to the house where Till was staying, and "kidnap" him from his great uncle, Mose Wright.
- After being taken from where he was, they made him carry a 75 pound cotton-gin fan.
- Till was beaten to a pulp behind the Milam Residence, then shot in the head, after getting his eye gouged out.
- They tied his destroyed corpse to the cotton-gin fan, and tossed it in the Tallahatchie River, soon to only be identified by a ring that had writing engraved in it. "E.L.T." which stands for, "Emmett Louis Till."

Credits: History - Emmett Till and Wikipedia - Emmett Till

Rosa Parks Timeline From 1955

By: Shemiah and Peyton



Rosa Parks

- Rosa Parks is a civil rights activist in the civil rights movement. She works with Martin Luther King Jr. who is also a civil rights activist.
- The US congress calls Rosa Parks "The first lady of civil rights," all because she won't give up her bus seat. They also call her, "The mother of the freedom movement."
- Rosa says, "I have learned over the years that when one's mind is made up, this diminishes fear; knowing what must be done does away with fear." I feel like she's saying that one you make up your mind about what you think about people, just because of their race, it fears some people of what's going to happen next.

Rosa Parks

- On December 1, 1955 Rosa was arrested because she refused to give her seat to a white man.
- Because of what rosa did, she inspired the black community to not take the bus and walk to work or take a private taxi.
- In the 11th grade she attended a laboratory secondary school. She left her her school to take care of her sick mother and grandmother.



Little Rock Nine 1957

Madi and Hannah



First coming to the Little Rock school.

- At this time the little rock nine are nine black students who enrolled in in an all white high school in little rock, Arkansas 1957.
- One of the black girls, Elizabeth Eckford, does not have a telephone so she doesn't get a call about the car pooling situation and she has to go to the school by herself with white students and adults screaming at her, one woman spit at her.
- They come to the school on September 4, 1957 and the national police guards are guarding the school but a month later President Dwight D. Eisenhower brings another national guard to escort them into the school.
- <u>https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/central-high-school-integration</u>

Life during school

- The nine of them had to go through extensive counseling to prepare them for the upcoming new school year that will be filled with hostility.
- On the Little Rocks Nine first day of school is met with violence, Melba Pattillo had acid thrown in her face while Gloria Ray is pushed down the stairs.
- Throughout the year Minnijean brown is expelled from Little Rock High, while Gloria Ray's mother lost her job for refusing to remove her daughter from the school.
- Martin Luther King Jr. is attending the graduation of Ernest Green who is the only one of the little rock nine to receive his diploma.
- ==<u>Link to source</u>

The March on Washington August 28th, 1963

By Connor and Luke Z.



What is the March on Washington?

- The march on Washington is a huge (non-violent) protest event in US history that occurred in August 1963.
- This massive event attempted and succeeded in allowing the black nation to vote.
- This event is also called the Washington March for Jobs and Freedoms. It is mainly directed to notify people of the horrible treatment the black citizens are receiving.
- This rally was directed to help fix the way blacks were being treated and to give them better economic opportunities.

What Happened At The March of Washington?

- At this event, many famous black and white singers expressed their sadness through songs. One well known singer, was Gospel singer Mahalia Jackson. The freedom singers also performed "We shall not be moved".
- This is the event where Martin Luther King Jr. makes his iconic "I have a dream" speech.
- Over 250,000 people attended the rally with signs. The most surprising part was that one quarter of those people were white.
- Civil rights leaders of different genders were actually assigned certain routes for the march. The men marched down Pennsylvania avenue and the women marched down Independence Avenue.
- Fun fact: Martin Luther actually procrastinated on the "I have a dream" speech. He also ad-libbed some parts because he forgot the last part of his speech.

Bombing of Birmingham Church (1963)



By: Abby M and Kate

Birmingham Church



- Birmingham Church is a black church, with services every Sunday morning. This church also had civil rights leaders congrating here.
- 200 people were in this building at the time, and when the bomb exploded the walls cave in.
- In this recent bombing, many have been injured and Addie Mae Collins, Cynthia Wesley, Carole Robertson and Denise McNair lives were taken.
- This is another bomb targeted at black homes and churches in the passed eleven days.



Effects After

- From the publicity of the bombing, many violent protests have started fighting for civil rights
 - Two African American men have died during these protests, one of them being killed by a police officer
 - During the funeral for 3 out of 4 of the girls who have died, Martin Luther King stepped forward to speak a few words. This speech has fueled the fire in the people participating in the protests
 - Many parents will and have been affected by the bombing, they will always grieve the death of their children. They all thought church was a safe place

https://www.history.com/topics/1960s/birmingham-churchbombing

Black Power Salute (1968) October 12th-27th

By Elias and Joseph



Black Power Salute at the 1968 Olympics (Joe & Eli)

- The 1968 Olympics were held at Mexico City.
- At this time, most of the world was still racist to some degree.
- Tommie Smith and John Carlos were two American athletes, both competing in the 200-meter dash.
- The two men won gold and bronze respectively and received their medals shoeless, but wearing black socks to symbolize black poverty.
- Carlos wore a necklace of beads to symbolize those who "were lynched, killed, hung, or tarred and feathered that nobody said a prayer for."

Black Power Salute at the 1968 Olympics (Joe & Eli)

- Both athletes intended to wear black gloves to the medal presentation, but Carlos forgot his, so they shared one pair of gloves.
- Because of this, Carlos raised his left hand instead of his right, differing from the traditional Black Power Salute.
- After they left the stadium, Smith said: "If I win, I am an American, not a Black American. But if I did something bad, they would say I am a Negro. We are black and we are proud of being black. Black America will understand what we did tonight.
- The salute became a symbol of Black Americans, even becoming a symbol during the BLM events of 2020

Martin Luther King Jr. Assasination April 4, 1968



By: Deacon and Biniyam

The Assasination

- April 4, 1968 Martin Luther King Jr. is assassinated on his balcony of the second story hotel in memphis, Tennessee.
- Martin luther king jr. was shot in his jaw and it severed his spinal cord. He was pronounced dead when he arrived at the hospital. He died at 39 years old.
- Martin luther king jr. was killed by a man named James Earl Ray, he was caught two months afterwards, and sentenced 99 years in prison.
- In 1967 James Earl Ray escaped prison by hiding in a bread delivery truck, he was caught and a he got added one more year to his sentence in prison making it 100 years.

What happened after the assasination?

- After the death of Martin Luther King Jr. There is more than 300 black people that started rioting.
- Most of them (young black men) were arrested and charged for assault, arson, looting and for violating the mayor's emergency curfew.
- Friday April 5, the day after Martin Luther King Jr. died, there was thousandths of national guard troops, and 500 maryland police, that came into baltimore, to keep the protesters in control.
- During the riots there is more than 13.5 million dollars in property damage, and more then 20 businesses and buildings destroyed.



Angela Davis (Black panther Party) 1971

By David T.



Angela Davis Bio

•She is born 1944 in Birmingham, Alabama to two parents and lives to be 77 years old.

• she teaches at the UCLA institute but was fired soon after due to her ties with the Black Panther Party.

•seeing the injustices of her segregated upbringing she decided to join the Black Panther Party.

•She tried to help George Jackson get out of jail but she failed and had to go to jail for about a year and 6 months.

•After her time in jail she returned to being a professor and wrote a lot of books.



Black Panther Party

•The Black Panther Party originally called The black Panther Party for self defense was founded in Oakland, California 1966.

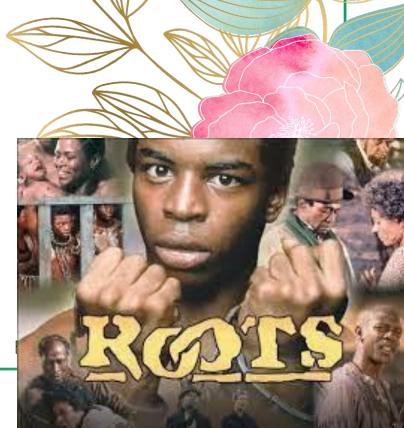
•The party was mainly created in order to challenge police brutality and empower Black people to fight back.

•The party was created in the wake of the asassanation of Malcolm X in 1965.

•The party ended in 1982 due to fighting amongst the leaders of the party.

Roots T.V. miniseries brings attention to slavery's legacy

By: Immanuella & Emily



About the show roots

This show was made in 1977, then later remade in 2016. The show roots was about a black man who was stolen from his village and sold as a slave and taken to america. This show has many historical events, such as the civil war and the slave uprisings that the family witness.

The show "roots" and how brought light to slavery

It showed how horribly black people were treated. White people who had not realized the impact and horrors they caused for generations. Roots teaches people about how whites in America treated blacks different. The show was based off a novel called, Roots: the Saga of an American Family. Roots was very popular because it showed how slave owners stole people from their native homes so that they had to be forced into servitude. Even today Roots is considered an important show because of how it's gives awareness about slavery.

Sources

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Rodney King

The Story

- Rodney King was an African American man who was on parole for robbery. He was driving a car under the influence of alcohol. The police chased for 15 minutes trying to stop him
- When he stopped 4 police officers exited their car and started to kick and beat Mr. King for a reported 15 minutes. Other police officers were reported standing around and making comments on the beating
- King ended up with multiple skull fractures, broken bones and teeth, and permanent brain damage.
- The officers were charged with excessive use of force, a year later a jury of 12 residents found the 12 police officers (the ones standing by too) not guilty.

How we have changed

- If that were to ever happen today the police would be immediately arrested and put into jail. It would be all over the news and people would be outraged, in this incident in 1992 the people of LA were in rage but today the anger for this act would be even higher.
- I hope that this wouldn't happen today because there is a lot less racism and people are way more accepting.
- In a separate lawsuit in 1994, a jury found the city of Los Angeles liable and gave King \$3.8 million in damages. In 2012, King was found dead in his swimming pool two months after publishing his memoir



Toni Morrison Wins a Nobel Prize for Literature in 1993

By Kalaya

Toni Morrison

- Toni Morrison, who's original name is Chloe Anthony Wofford, is an award winning American novelist, editor, and professor, who's most well-known novels are 'The Bluest Eye', 'Beloved', 'Song of Solomon', and 'A Mercy'.
- Although she is a professor at Princeton University, she continues to publish great works. In fact, in recognition of her benefaction towards her field of work, she is the first African-American woman to be selected for the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1993.
- Her novels, along with some other Black women, focus on Black America and the hardships that are faced directly from a Black community. She is able to do this in a poetic and powerful form that catches the attention of many critics and a large audience.
- More specifically, as she is the first woman of any nationality to win a Nobel Prize in any category, it is helping shape the future and open more opportunities for others. The future generation can follow in her footsteps in ways such as confidently writing what you believe even though it may be risky, or more recognition for women of any race.
 - Sources: <u>Biography.com</u>, <u>Slate.com</u>, <u>NobelPrize.com</u>, <u>WashingtonPost.com</u>, <u>NobelPrize.org</u>, <u>Naacp.org</u>, <u>Dw.com</u>, <u>Goodreads.com</u>, <u>WomensHistory.org</u>, and Slides for this template.

My work requires me to think about how free I can be as an African-American woman writer in my generized, sexualized, wholly racialized world."

If you are free, you need to free somebody else. If you have some power, then your job is to empower somebody else."

History:

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Toni Morrison was born the second of four children on February 18, 1931 in Lorain, Ohio.

Discrimination of different races was constantly a threat as she grew up, even though they lived in a semi-integrated area. When Morrison was just two years old, her family's apartment was burned down while they were in it by the owner, as they could not afford to pay the rent.

She was baptized at twelve years old after converting to Catholicism under the name Anthony, after Saint Anthony of Padua. Later on, she went by the nickname "Toni", in memory of this saint.



HURRICANE KATRINA EXPOSES INEQUITIES OF CLASS AND RACE 2005

HURRICANE KATRINA

- In August of 2005, Hurricane Katrina effects Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida, Georgia and Alabama.
- It is one of the biggest natural disasters in U.S. history. It cost around \$161 billion in damage.
- Hurricane Katrina starts as a tropical depression storm in Caribbean waters and it reached hurricane status after 2 days.
- The National Hurricane Center states that as a total of 1833 people are killed whether directly or indirectly from the hurricane.

FACTS

- Hurricane Katrina exposes how racism is a problem in America. A lot of the televised and photographed information tells us that the lower class and black citizens are more affected during this natural disaster.
- It reminds us how racism isn't just the hatred towards a race, it is also about economic inclusion and exclusion.
- For example, if you're white and wealthy, you could possibly get more help from the government. However, if you belong to the black community or the lower classes, you would be more affected in the disaster.

Broken barriers: Barack Obama for President 2008

By Mezu



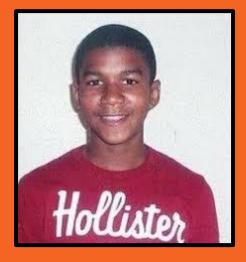
History in the making

- Obama was born on August 4, 1961 at Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children in Hawaii.
- Before he was the president, he represented Illinois in the US Senate (2005-2008)
- He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2009

Accomplishments

- In 1996, he was elected to the Illinois senate where he helped expand healthcare to poor families
- In his time, he also reformed criminal justice laws and helped tighten campaign finance regulations
- Obama's second book he published "The Audacity of Hope" gained best seller a few weeks later

wikipedia



Trayvon Martin Is shot (2012) & #BLM begins

Michael V.

About Him

-Trayvon Martin was born on February 5th 1995 in Miami Florida

-He died on February 26, 2012 when he was shot by a 28-year old security guard out of 'self defence' as he was unarmed

-At the time, Martin was out visiting his father's fiancee in Twin Lakes Sanford and was walking home from a convenience store

<u>Source</u>

#BlackLivesMatter campaign



-This was one of the events that started the #BlackLivesMatter campaign because it was determined that he was shot purely because of race during the altercation with a security guard

-These campaigns consist of people advocating for civil rights and equality

-At the time of his death, there was a lot of civil unrest in the USA and this may have been one of the causes for him being shot



Movies by and about Black People Having an Oscar Award Winning Year



by Jared

and Max

Points #1

- Black people have not been acknowledged in many movies and almost none of them have gotten any awards or an Oscar
- The movie 12 Years A Slave won its an amazing 3 oscars this year, 2014, for showing solomon northup's life story into an amazing film
- Now, we are excited for the future of black movies and can't wait to see how they grow in popularity
- The black movies, directed by or played by, are becoming more accepted by the overall community
- To this day the oscars are still being called
 - out for lack of diversity.



Points #2

- Black people, from critics view and many others, have often been put in stereotypical roles rather than main roles or roles that do good. They only get put in the roles of slaves, helpers, servants, sidekicks, or criminals.
- Here are some movies that have been produced in 2014; the newer Annie, Black or White, Ride Along, and Selma.
- Selma was about the times of Martin Luther King and how they had to fight for the right for black people to vote

3 Black People Get Murdered by White Police



Jayden and David I.

Eric Garner

- Garner has over 30 arrests dating back to the 1980's, with charges including assault and grand larceny. (Theft involving excessive value of property.)
- The reason for the initial arrest was that Eric was illegally selling untaxed cigarettes, and was in possession of marijuana.
- Eric was resisting arrest and was yelling at the police officers saying "Don't touch me!"
- When the police finally got Garner on the ground, the officer then held him in a chokehold.
- Garner died about an hour after the initial conflict .
- Police officers say that if he didn't resist the arrest the outcome would be much different.

In conclusion, it was very wrong that the police killed him even after Garner telling the police that he couldn't breath. I think that Eric reacted in a very bad way by resisting the arrest and telling the police to not touch him, because if he didn't do this, it would be very likely for him to be alive still to this day.

Michael Brown

- Michael Brown is an 18 year-old black man who died August 9, 2014.
- He already has a criminal record, he was convicted of aggravated assault, robbery and the list goes on.
- Brown was walking down the middle of the road and a police officer told him to go to the side walk. When Brown turned around to see the officer, the officer realize he was a suspect for a robbery that happened earlier that day.
- The police officer was a white 28 year-old male with the name of Darren Wilson. Wilson Chased Brown till they got to Wilsons SUV.
- When they reached the SUV, Brown and Wilson started fighting and Brown took him by the throat and almost took Wilson out. While Wilson was getting up, Brown had already ran about 150 feet away from the SUV. Wilson then shot a warning shot but Brown did not surrender.
- Wilson took his gun and shot 12 shots and 6 of them ended up hitting Brown.
- After more in depth studying of the event. Judges found no way of charging or accusing Wilson. He claimed it was an act of self defense when he thought that Brown was going to charge at him.

To wrap it all up. Michael Brown, an 18 year old black man who was shot by a white 28 year-old male named Darren Wilson. He shot Brown out of self defense and because he refused not to surrender and ended up dead. There was no racial offense here because whether Brown was white or black he still ran from the police after being told to stop.

<u>Link</u> <u>Link</u> -- Sources

Tamir Rice

- Tamir Rice is a 12 year old boy living in Cleveland, Ohio.
- On November 22, 2014 he was waving around a pellet gun and pointing it at cars.
- When the police officers came to the scene they were yelling at Tamir telling him to put his hands up and stop moving which he did not listen to.
- After 2 warning shots sent into the air, the police fired a third shot at the boy.
- The police officer was a white 26 year-old officer with name of Timothy Loehmann.

In conclusion, on November 22, 2014. Tamir rice, a 12 year old African-American was waving a pellet gun and pointing at strangers and cars. A man saw what he was doing and called the police saying that there was someone with a gun pointing at strangers. The police came and fired 2 warning shots up in the air telling the boy to surrender. The boy refused to surrender and Timothy shot him.



Black Women Married into British Royal Family 2018-Present

By Delora and Julia

About the Wedding

- On this day, May 19, 2018, the Prince of Britain, Harry, married actress Meghan Markle in the St. George's Chapel at Windsor Castle. Meghan's mother is black, and her father is white, hence why they call her a "black" woman.
- Since Harry was drawing near to the throne, he had to get consent from his grandmother, Queen Elizabeth II, to marry Meghan. Of course, she said yes, otherwise they wouldn't have gotten married today.
- In wedding tradition, the bride's parents usually pay for the wedding expenses, but the Royals offered to pay for Meghan and Harry's ceremony. So, the Royal Family paid for the church service, music, flowers, decoration, and the celebration that followed.
- Meghan's bouquet of flowers were specially picked out by Prince Harry just before the wedding. Furthermore, blooms in the bouquet contained the flowers called Forget-Me-Nots, which was Princess Diana's favourite flower, and the bouquet also had sweet peas, lily of the valley, astilbes, jasmines, and astrantias.

Wedding Continued

- Some people were not happy about Meghan Markle joining the Royal Family because she is a black women, a feminist, and very opinonated. But the poem Phenomenal Woman by Maya Angelou says that all women are phenomenal, and it doesn't matter what they look like.
- There were definitely some rumors of Harry and Meghan breaking up, practically immediately once they started dating. It only increased significantly when they got married on this magical day.
- Most of the things that were on the news were all about a black women joining the Royal Family. Most if it was joyful and encouraging, but not all, because there were a lot of negative news that focused only on Meghan and Harry on their special day too.



-https://www.townandcountrymag.com/the-scene/weddings/a9936314/prince -harry-meghan-markle-wedding/

The Arrest and Death of Sandra Bland

By Isaiah Schellenberg

The story

- In Waller County, Texas, on the 10th of July 2015, an african american woman named Sandra Bland was arrested shortly after being pulled over for failing to signal before a lane change
- Only 3 days after her arrest, she was found dead in her cell
- A garbage bag was used to hang Sandra Bland by the neck, the investigation was treated as a murder crime until it was finally desided that it was a suicide.
- The officer that arrested Sandra demanded that she do things completely irrelevant such as put out her cigarette in her are, or put down her phone, which just so happens to be the only way to show the story from Sandra's point of view
- when she did not comply with his absurd orders, he used it as an excuse to forcefully arrest and threaten her with a taser.

Facts and sources

- Although being already very annoyed with the police force when she was pulled over, Sandra Bland complied with the officers questions and orders up until the officer overstepped his authority.
- Sandra Bland was very mistreated by the officer, but Sandra knew all of her rights, she had every right to smoke in her car, she had every right to record the incident and the officer (fired almost instantly after the incident) had know right to tell her not to.
- See links 2 and 3 for footage of what really happened.

my sources

- 1.) this is the news report of the suicide of Sandra Bland
- 2.) this video shows the footage from the police car camera
- 3.) this website shows the story from the point of view of Sandra

The Famous Racially Motivated Murders of Ahmaud Arbery, George Floyd, and Breonna Taylor (2020)



By Sophie & Estelle



Ahmaud Arbery and Breonna Taylor

The story of Ahmaud Arbery-

- Ahmaud Arbery is a black man who is shot while jogging
- The autopsy shows that he was killed by 3 fatal shotgun wounds he obtained while fighting for hold of the gun.
- No action is taken for his case until months later, in May

The story of Breonna Taylor-

- Breonna Taylor is an African-American medical worker who is killed in her home by Louisville police officers
- She was shot during a raid in her apartment, after her boyfriend fired shots at someone he thought was breaking into their apartment, although it was the police - they failed to identify themselves causing her boyfriend to think someone was breaking in
- No one is being charged for causing Breonna Taylor's death

https://www.nytimes.com/article/breon na-taylor-police.html

George Floyd and the large start-up of BLM protests

The story of George Floyd-

- George Floyd is a black man who is arrested for supposedly carrying a counterfeit \$20 bill which ended up in him being brutally murdered
- After 8 minutes and 46 seconds of Officer Derek Chauvin pressing his knee to George's throat, he died
- Similar to Eric Garner, George's last words are "I can't breathe"

The start of many BLM protests-

- On May 26, 2020, (the day after George Floyd's death) there is a protest that took place. Like almost all protests, this quickly turned into riots
- People are maced, fires are started, buildings are being burned to ash, voices are silenced. The riots are not the right way to take action, but it is important to remember the meaning behind BLM and the first few protests





Kamala Harris

The First Black Woman to become Vice President

By Liam Y., Emmanuel E., and Sam G.

Who is Kamala Harris?

- Kamala Harris assumed office as Vice President of the United States on Inauguration Day, January 20, 2021
- This is significant because she is not only black, but also the first female vice president of the United States of America
- You may know Kamala Harris from her laugh, which is very distinguishable
- Harris previously worked as a California state senator
- She pushes for equality of outcome over equality of opportunity
- She originally had to drop out of the democrat primaries because of a lack of support
- She first joined the Democratic party in 2010

Past Achievements

- Kamala Harris was elected as a district attorney in San Francisco
- She used to work as a state prosecutor
- She served as the Junior United States Senator from 2017-2021
- Kamala created the ecrime unit within the California Department of Justice
- She graduated from Howard University, University of California, and Hastings College of the Law
- She has won 9 out of the 10 times she has run, not counting the primaries
- In 2016 Kamala won 78% of the CDP vote, allowing her to get funding.