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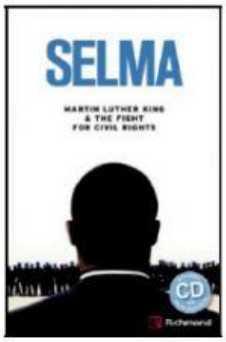

SELMA

Pages 4–7

1 When this story takes place, who is …

f) … President of the USA?
Lyndon Baines Johnson
.....

g) … Director of the FBI?
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h) … leader of the civil rights movement?
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i) … Governor of Alabama?
.....

j) … trying to vote in Selma?
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Where is …

k) … the Oval Office? .....

l) … the Edmund Pettus Bridge? .....

2 When

a) … do the American Civil War and slavery end? .....

b) … does Rosa Parks refuse to give her seat to a white man? .....

c) … do the Ku Klux Klan appear for the second time? .....

d) … does the Civil Rights Act become law in the USA? .....

e) … does the story of Selma take place? .....

Chapters 1–4

1 Match the two halves of these sentences.

a) The 'lost ones' are …	O	O	before his family.
b) Annie Lee Cooper has already tried to register to vote …	O	O	20 million black Americans.
c) In Alabama there are …	O	O	three times.
d) Coretta thinks it's okay …	O	O	67 judges.
e) Dr King puts the civil rights movement …	O	O	four girls killed in an Alabama church.
f) Dr King takes the prize for the four girls and …	O	O	to take a few days' break.

2 Who are these sentences about – Dr King of President Johnson? Tick the correct box.

	King	President
a) He thinks the Civil Act is enough for now.	☐	☐
b) He follows the ideas of Mahatma Gandhi.	☐	☐
c) He's Nobel Prize winner	☐	☐
d) He doesn't want to work at the White House.	☐	☐
e) He wants to fight for poor people of all colours	☐	☐

3 Choose the correct option. Tick it.

a) Who isn't welcome in Alabama, according to Ralph?
( ) White people ( ) Black people

b) Where does Dr King go first when they arrive in Selma?
( ) The Courthouse ( ) The Hotel Albert

c) What does a white man do in the hotel?
( ) Hits Dr. King. ( ) Takes Dr. King's hand.

d) What is the FBI's first plan to deal with Dr. King?
( ) Kill him ( ) Break up his family.

e) What does Coretta do when she gets a horrible phone call?
( ) Shouts back ( ) Puts the phone down.

f) What does Dr King say about the fight for the vote?
( ) It will be easy ( ) It will be difficult.

Chapter 5-8

1 Are these sentences true (T) of false (F)?

a) White people are taking part in the sit-down protest at the Courthouse. ☐

b) The sheriff pushes Jimmie Lee to the ground. ☐

c) Annie Lee Cooper hits the sheriff with her bag. ☐

d) A photographer takes a photo of Jimmie Lee's grandfather on the ground. ☐

e) Governor Wallace phones the President to tell him about black trouble-makers in Alabama. ☐

f) Dr. King and some of his team are in jail. ☐

g) Dr. King will lead the night march in Selma ☐

2 Put these sentences in the order they happen.

☐ Jimmie Lee gets his grandfather and mother into a restaurant.

☐ One officer beats Cager Lee and another fires his gun at Jimmie Lee.

☐ The police attack the marchers.

☐ The night marchers walk through the dark streets.

☐ The police follow them into the restaurant.

☐ The police shine car lights into the marchers' eyes

☐ The police tell the marchers to move back and someone fires a gun.