Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream"



"I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created **equal**."

I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia, the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood.

I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of **injustice**, sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of **freedom** and **justice**.

I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

I have a *dream* today!"

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1. What inspired Martin Luther King Jr. to give the "I Have a Dream" speech?

a. His friends.
b. Injustice and oppression of Black people in the United States.
c. How well he slept.
d. A movie he had seen recently.

2. Martin Luther King said "sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood". What does he mean?

a. That you should eat dinner with your family.
b. That everyone should eat lots of fruits and vegetables.
c. That one day people of all colors would be able to sit together.
d. That segregation should remain the custom and the law in America.

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3. Martin Luther King mentions two American states in this section of his speech. Which ones did he mention? Choose 2.

a. New York
b. Mississippi
c. Minnesota
d. Georgia

4. Martin Luther King dreams that one day his four children will be "judged not by the *color of their skin*, but by the *content of their character*." What does this mean?

This means that people should be judged based on _____

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Matching. Click on the recording and match it to the correct words.

- "This nation will rise up" •
- "To sit down together" •
- "The heat of injustice" •
- "The heat of oppression" •
- "The color of their skin" •
- "I have a dream today!" •

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