

NELSON MANDELA

Nelson Mandela is born on 18th July 1918, in Mvezo, South Africa. His real name is Rolihlahla, but a teacher in school gave him an English name.



He studies Law at university and becomes (=se convierte en) a political activist to fight against racism in South Africa.

He goes to prison for 27 years.

He is released (=puesto en libertad) in 1990 and leads people to reconciliation between whites and blacks.

In 1994 he becomes the first black President of the Republic of South Africa.

He retires in 1999.

He continues to fight for equality (=igualdad) and against poverty (=contra la pobreza) in his country.

He dies in 2013 at the age of 95.

Fun facts about Nelson Mandela



- Nelson got the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993.
- 18th July is Nelson Mandela day. People spend 67 minutes helping others. The 67 minutes represents the 67 years Mandela spent serving his country.
- Invictus is a 2009 film about Nelson Mandela and the South African rugby team.
- He has six children and twenty grandchildren.

Nelson Mandela quotes

Read these quotes and explain them in your own words.

Lee las frases que dijo Mandela y explícalas con tus propias palabras.

"It always seems impossible until it's done."

"Nobody is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin. People learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can learn to love".