

# EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN: ROSA PARKS

## 1. Read the biography and fill in the gaps with the verbs in brackets.

Rosa Parks \_\_\_\_\_ (be) born on February 4, 1913, in Alabama, USA. She \_\_\_\_\_ (grow) up during a time when African Americans \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) the same rights as white people. Rosa \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to a small school for Black children and later attended a high school, but she \_\_\_\_\_ (not finish) at first because she \_\_\_\_\_ (need) to take care of her family. Later, she \_\_\_\_\_ (return) to finish her education.

One day, in 1955, Rosa \_\_\_\_\_ (get) on a bus to go home. She \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) in a seat in the section for African Americans. A white man \_\_\_\_\_ (ask) her to give up her seat, but Rosa \_\_\_\_\_ (refuse) to move. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not agree) with the unfair law. Because of her brave action, she \_\_\_\_\_ (be) arrested and \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) a few hours in jail.

Rosa's action \_\_\_\_\_ (not stop) there; it \_\_\_\_\_ (inspire) others to fight for equal rights. Many people \_\_\_\_\_ (join) a bus boycott to protest against segregation laws, and after a year, the rules \_\_\_\_\_ (change).

Rosa Parks \_\_\_\_\_ (become) known as the "Mother of the Civil Rights Movement." She \_\_\_\_\_ (not stop) working for equal rights until her death in 2005.

## 2. Match the English words and phrases with their Spanish translation for the following words.

- Equal Rights

- Unfair

- Civil Rights Movement

- Law

- Jail

- Boycott

- Segregation laws

- Rules

- Boicot

- Cárcel

- Igualdad de derechos

- Injusto/a

- Leyes/legislación

- Leyes de segregación racial

- Movimiento por los derechos civiles

- reglas



**3. Mark the sentences true or false.**

a. Rosa Parks was born in Alabama, USA.

True / False

b. She went to a large school for Black and white children.

True / False

c. Rosa had to leave school to take care of her family.

True / False

d. She refused to give up her bus seat to a white man.

True / False

e. After her action, Rosa spent a few days in jail.

True / False

f. Rosa's action inspired others to fight for equal rights.

True / False

g. The bus boycott lasted only a month.

True / False

h. Rosa Parks continued working for equal rights until her death in 2005.

True / False

