

# Learn about the Jim Crow Laws

Before you watch.

Match the English and the French:

freedom	•	• être maudit
a slave	•	• se libérer
a law	•	• une loi
to break free	•	• être choisi / élu
to make fun of	•	• un esclave
isolate	•	• liberté
rights	•	• se moquer de
to be chosen	•	• isoler / exclure
to be cursed	•	• des droits

Watch the video and write words you understand:

Find the correct answers:

What's the civil war?

The moment when Americans broke free from England

The moment when American people massacred Native Americans (Indians).

The moment when Northern states of America fought to free Black people from slavery.

Who was Jim Crow?

A racist senator

A character designed to make fun of Black people

A famous character who fought for Black people's rights.

White people were said to be...

... chosen

... cursed

Black people were said to be...

... chosen

... cursed

When were the Jim Crow Laws recognized illegal?

1950-60's

1890's

1930-40's

## GRAMMAR

*Have a close look at these examples*

- A Black man and a White man **couldn't** shake hands.
- Blacks and White **were not allowed** to eat together.
- White people **had to** be served first and separate from Black people.
- Whites **didn't have to** use the title "Mister", "Miss", "Sir" or "Madam" when they talked to Blacks.
- On the contrary, they **could** call Black people by their first name.
- Black people **had to** sit in the backseat of cars and at the end of the buses.

*Complete the following sentences:*

**had to/didn't have to + V      could(n't) + V      was(n't) /were(n't) allowed to + V**

- ◆ Pour exprimer la possibilité ou l'impossibilité dans le passé j'utilise :
- ◆ Pour exprimer l'autorisation ou l'interdiction dans le passé j'utilise :
- ◆ Pour exprimer l'obligation ou l'absence d'obligation dans le passé j'utilise :

*Use the information provided below make meaningful sentences :*

- a) make eye contact with white women (prohibition)  
Black people
- b) go to school (possibility)  
Black children
- c) go to the same schools as white children (impossibility)  
They
- d) sit in the same section as white people (prohibition)  
They
- f) vote only under certain conditions (possibility)  
Black people
- g) use the public transport (possibility)  
They
- h) use separate public facilities (obligation)  
They
- i) shake hands (impossibility)  
Black and white people