

★ **Content Vocabulary Activity 16**

**The Civil Rights Movement, 1954–1968**

**DIRECTIONS:** Write true or false on the line before each definition. If the definition is false, write the correct term at the end of the statement. Then answer the question at the bottom of the page.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. **Black power** refers to the idea that African Americans should control their own social, political, and economic direction to gain respect for their rights and to improve their condition. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Many places without segregation laws still practiced a form of segregation by custom and tradition referred to as **separate-but-equal**. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. A group of **Freedom Riders** traveled to the South in 1961 to protest the South's refusal to integrate bus terminals. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. A motion for **filibuster**, which requires the vote of 60 senators, ends debate in the Senate and calls for an immediate vote. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The philosophy of **racism** attempts to incorporate racial or cultural groups into society, rather than encouraging them to keep their own traditions and customs. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. **Cloture** is an attempt to kill a bill by having a group of senators take turns speaking continuously so that a vote cannot take place. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. The **de facto segregation** doctrine established by the Supreme Court permitted laws segregating African Americans as long as equal facilities were provided. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. A **sit-in** is a form of protest involving occupying seats or sitting down on the floor of an establishment. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Prejudice or discrimination against someone because of his or her race is known as **cultural assimilation**. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. The Twenty-fourth Amendment eliminated **poll taxes**, or fees paid to vote in federal elections. \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. Explain how Thurgood Marshall, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference contributed to the beginnings of the modern civil rights movement.  
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CHAPTER 16

## Academic Vocabulary Activity 16 (continued) ★ ★ ★ ★

### TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

**Directions:** Choose the best synonym for each word. (Synonyms are words with similar meanings.)

1. attain  
 a. agree                      b. get                      c. quit
2. civil  
 a. parallel                      b. normal                      c. public
3. comprehensive  
 a. mutual                      b. thorough                      c. individual
4. passive  
 a. energetic                      b. internal                      c. inactive
5. reverse  
 a. opposite                      b. vague                      c. obvious

**Directions:** Choose the best definition for each of the underlined words.

6. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., used nonviolent methods, such as public demonstrations and civil disobedience, to attain rights for African Americans.  
 a. expose                      b. get                      c. deny
7. To support the farm workers who were not receiving adequate pay, the consumers took part in a boycott of grapes.  
 a. refusal to buy                      b. big sale                      c. mass production
8. The Voting Rights Act of 1965 was comprised of regulations regarding the registration of African American voters and prohibitions against discriminatory practices.  
 a. contrasted                      b. censured                      c. contained
9. Discrimination in hiring on the basis of race, gender, age, or religious practice is illegal in the United States.  
 a. nationality                      b. ethnicity                      c. sex
10. Prior to the Civil Rights Act of 1964, public facilities were segregated, making African Americans second-class citizens.  
 a. homes                      b. services                      c. restrictions
11. The Black Power movement was a driving force for social change.  
 a. pro-African American                      b. anti-African American                      c. non-African American