A Time for Justice: Guided Video Questions

1. What type of signs do you see that “regulates” the races?

2. What was the average yearly income for a black person in Mississippi in the 1950’s?

3. How old was Emmett Till? Why was he murdered?

4. What does it mean when the film says that Mose Wright knew his place?

5. Emmet Till’s mother wanted an open casket funeral for her son, how did this help the movement?

6. Roy Bryant and J.W. Milam were identified as the killers and even admitted to the murder, but the all white jury took only one hour to declare them not guilty. What does this tell you?

7. What happened in Montgomery that brought Blacks together to protest their treatment?

8. What race were the bus drivers on the all Black routes?

9. How old was Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. when he was chosen to lead the Montgomery Bus Boycott?

10. What did Blacks do instead of taking the Bus?

11. What did the mob at Central High School do to the nine Black students who tried to integrate the school in Little Rock Arkansas?

12. How did the nine teenagers typically get to school?

13. The Little Rock Nine inspired young college students to action. What was the first thing they organized in the winter of 1960?

14. What did the white people in the restaurants do to the peaceful protestors?

15. What philosophy did the movement use?

16. In Virginia and the Carolinas, the Freedom Riders suffered intimidations. What happened once they got to the Deep South?

17. Who set the bus on fire?

18. What happened when the Freedom Riders got to Montgomery?
19. What happened in Jackson Mississippi?

20. Who was killed in the Sunday morning bombing at the Birmingham Sixteenth Baptist Church? Who did the bombing?

21. In 1964 hundreds of students from the North traveled to Mississippi to help Blacks register to vote. Why were Blacks afraid to register to vote?

22. Why were Whites so against Blacks having the right to vote?

23. What kind of test did the prospective voters have to take?

24. What happened to Michael Schwerner, James Chaney and Andrew Goodman? Why did their deaths cause national attention?

25. What did the FBI find when they were dragging the river looking for the three young men?

26. Were the men charged with their murder convicted?

27. In Marion Alabama 90 percent of the eligible voting population was black, but what percentage of them registered to vote?

28. Who was Jimmie Lee Jackson trying to protect when was killed?

29. How long did the mourners have to walk in the rain to get Jackson to the Blacks only cemetery?

30. What was Bloody Sunday?

31. Who do you see participating in the march from Selma?