

FACTS ABOUT ROSA PARKS TO SHARE WITH CHILDREN



- Rosa Parks was among less than 7% of African-Americans who had high school degrees at that time.
- On December 1, 1955, she refused to give up her seat for White passengers.
- Her refusal and the subsequent Montgomery Bus Boycott sparked a milestone moment in the American Civil Rights Movement.
- She was awarded the highest award to a civilian citizen, the Presidential Medal of Freedom.
- Time Magazine recognized her as one of the “20 Most Influential People of the 20th Century.”
- She became the first woman to lie in honor at the U.S. Capitol when she died on October 24, 2005.