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Objective/Learning Target: Explain how the Civil Rights movement changed with the assassination of Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy.

Warm Up

Most Americans tend to view MLK's *I Have a Dream* Speech, on the National Mall as his greatest and most significant speech about America and race. However, it is through the lens of King's last published essay and his "Other America" speech, which he gave on his "Freedom tour" in 1967-68 before his death, that the intersection between RFK and MLK is evident.

"This America is the habitat of millions of people who have food and material necessities for their bodies; and culture and education for their minds; and freedom and human dignity for their spirits..But tragically and unfortunately, there is another America..In this America millions of work-starved men walk the streets daily in search for jobs that do not exist.. .In this America people are poor by the millions.Many people of various backgrounds live in this other America. Some are Mexican-Americans, some are Puerto Ricans, some are Indians, some happen to be from other groups. Millions of them are Appalachian whites. But probably the largest group in this other America . . . is the American Negro."

- *The Other America*, Speech by MLK Jr, April 14, 1967

Lesson Activity



Practice

After watching the two videos you will answer the following questions on a sheet of paper.

1. It what ways did Martin Luther King Jr. try and help for equality for everyone and not just African Americans?
2. How are MLK and Robert F. Kennedy similar?
3. How was the relationship between the reporter Kathryn Johnson and the King family? How did she get access to the family following the death of MLK?

Reflection

Reflect on the impact that Martin Luther King Jr. made to the Civil Rights Movement and what Robert F. Kennedy had to say at his Presidential Campaign Rally after hearing about the death of MLK.

US History Martin Luther King Jr.

<https://www.ushistory.org/us/54f.asp>

Practice Answers

After watching the two videos you will answer the following questions on a sheet of paper.

1. Once MLK solved a problem in America and the Civil Rights movement he would then move to another issue and right before he died he was working on equality for the lower socio-economic classes in America regardless of race.
2. The both were in their own ways fighting for equality and Civil Rights and both were assassinated defending the rights for everyone.
3. She was a friend and reporter on MLK and his wife Coretta long before he was famous in Atlanta. She was the only reporter allowed to enter the house because there was a police guard following the assassination of MLK she was not only a reporter but a family friend.