

## American Holidays: Martin Luther King Day

*Do you know of Martin Luther King? What did he do?*

Martin Luther King was a civil rights leader. That means that he wanted all Americans to be equal.

*Why do you think King wanted **equality**?*



In the 1960s, black Americans were treated badly. For example, blacks had to sit at the backs of buses.



King led **protests** against this bad treatment.

← A protest

King was a peaceful man, so his protests were never **violent**.

*What do you think about protests? Have you ever seen one? Have you ever been in one? Are violent or non-violent protests better? Why?*

King is most famous for a speech called "I have a dream". *What do you think his dream was?*

His dream was that all Americans be equal. *Do you think that all Americans are equal today? What should be changed?*



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Americans celebrate Martin Luther King Day in January. The date is different each year. This year, it was on January 15.

January 2007						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

*Why do you think Martin Luther King Day is in January?*

*If you had a holiday, what month would it be? What day would it be? Why?*

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January	February	March
1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3	1 2 3
7 8 9 10 11 12 13	4 5 6 7 8 9 10	4 5 6 7 8 9 10
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	11 12 13 14 15 16 17	11 12 13 14 15 16 17
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28 29 30 31	25 26 27 28	25 26 27 28 29 30 31

  

April	May	June
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July	August	September
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29 30 31	26 27 28 29 30 31	23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

  

October	November	December
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28 29 30 31	25 26 27 28 29 30	23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31