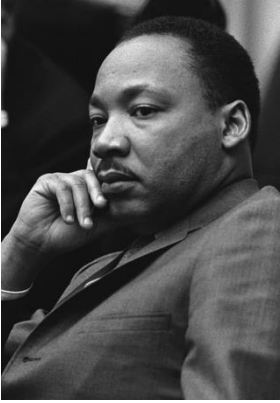# MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

"I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the colour of their skin, but by the content of their character."

August 28, 1963 ➔ King gives his "*I Have A Dream*" speech

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that".
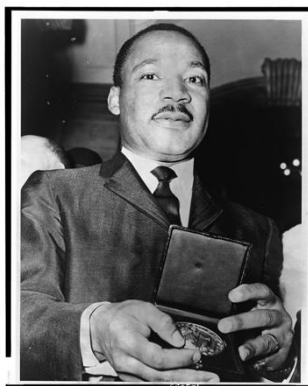
April 4, 1968 ➔ King is assassinated in Memphis

Dr. M. L. King's message

- eliminate racism and segregation from the world.
- men and women, black or white were equal members of the human race,
- everyone can be great
- everybody can be a servant
- you do not need to have, to do and to know nothing to serve, as long as you have a heart.
- everyone does not have to have anything to be ashamed of.
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- the word "white" generally refers to something pure and good.
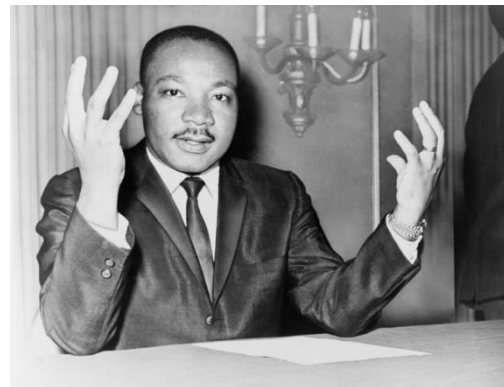- black and white are only colours.
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- **everyone should have his liberty**
- **everyone should receive love**
- **everyone should be accepted because everyone is perfect as he as**.

January 15, 1929 ➔ Martin Luther King is born in Atlanta, Georgia

"The ultimate tragedy is not the oppression and cruelty by the bad people but the silent over that by the good people"

December 10, 1964 ➔ M. L. King wins the **Nobel Peace Prize**

On the 4th April 1968, Martin Luther King was assassinated
He went to Memphis to march with the sanitation workers.
3rd April 1968 ⇨ held his last speech: he said he had received lots of letters
  - from the president,
  - from the vice president,
  - from the governor of NYC but he had forgotten them,
  - he had also received a letter from a white girl but he had not forgotten it because the girl was very happy that he didn't sneeze.

What life was like in the 1960s

1960ies: black people didn't live a simple life:
they couldn't go to restaurants where white people went
schools were separated.

Black people had to
  - bring respect to whites and
  - follow certain rules to submit to them.