

Black History School:

God's Glory...Our Story

Taken Treasure Series • Based Selected Stories from the Book of Daniel

Lesson 3 Children's Activity (A)

Courageous Souls who Refused to Compromise

Courageous Souls	Refusing to Compromise	How did their actions change the world?
	<p>Marley Dias, Age 10</p> <p>Marley Dias was tired of reading stories that only ever featured "little white boys and dogs," so she decided to do something about it. She created a donation drive, with the hashtag #1000BlackGirlBooks, to help other little Black girls find representation in the stories they were reading. More than 7,000 books in which the main characters are Black girls were collected. At age 11, she had a zine on Elle called "Marley's Mag," where she interviewed such famous people as Ava Duvernay, Misty Copeland and Hillary Clinton.</p>	
	<p>Claudette Colvin, Age 15</p> <p>You have probably heard about Rosa Parks, but have you heard about Claudette Colvin? Claudette was actually the first Black girl to not give up her seat for a white person, a few months before Rosa Parks' more famous refusal. Claudette was arrested and taken to jail, even though she was a minor.</p> <div data-bbox="691 1091 993 1300" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>"I KNEW THEN, AND I KNOW NOW THAT, WHEN IT COMES TO JUSTICE, THERE IS NO EASY WAY TO GET IT. YOU CAN'T SUGARCOAT IT. YOU HAVE TO TAKE A STAND AND SAY, 'THIS IS NOT RIGHT.' AND I DID."</p> <p>- CLAUDETTE COLVIN</p> <p>NAACP</p> </div>	
	<p>Ruby Bridges, Age 6</p> <p>Ruby Bridges was the first Black student to desegregate the all-white William Frantz Elementary school in New Orleans. Although she was one of four Black children participating in this history-making change, she was the only one who was doing it alone. Although she faced a lot of hate and threats by people who did not support desegregation, at six years old, she remained brave and calm, and walked into that school every day, opening the doors for so many other children who came after her.</p>	
	<p>Benjamin O. Davis, Sr. (1877-1970)</p> <p>Benjamin O. Davis, Sr., was the first Black general in the U.S. Army. He served for 50 years, beginning as a temporary first lieutenant during the Spanish American War. He battled segregation by developing and implementing plans for the limited desegregation of US combat forces in Europe during World War II. Throughout his service, Davis held many positions including professor of military science and infantry commander. He received the Bronze Star Medal and the Distinguished Service Medal.</p>	

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Transformers who are Taking a Stand Today

Transformers People who are daring to be different & make a difference.	Taking a Stand How exactly did they stand out? What did they stand up for?	How about you? Would you be able to take this action? Why or why not?