

# Martin Luther King Jr. Activity Book



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**Ready to have some FUN learning about  
Martin Luther King Jr.?**

**Inside this Activity Book, you will find many  
different activities and resources.**

- \*Notebooking pages**
- \*Copywork pages**
- \*Dictionary pages**
- \*Coloring pages with boxes for your own  
words**
- \*Freedom and Respect acrostic activities**
- \*Word search**
- \*Word scramble**
- \*Dream speech completion**
- \*Martin Luther King Jr. Information**
- \*Additional Resources**

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Define these words using a dictionary.  
Then use each one in a sentence.

Equality:

Courage:

Politics:

# Who Was Martin Luther King Jr. ?



## Part 1: Early Years

Martin Luther King, Jr. was born on Jan. 15, 1929. He was the son and the grandson of a pastor, so it is perhaps no surprise that he became a pastor as well. He also became a leader of the civil rights movements and one of the most famous people America has ever produced.

His name at birth was Michael, but he later changed it to Martin. When he was born, his grandfather was pastor of Atlanta's Ebenezer Baptist Church. When Martin was 2, his father took over the pulpit and served for a great many years.

Young Martin grew up in the segregated South. He attended, David T. Howard Elementary School and Atlanta University Laboratory School, which were full of African-American students, who at that time were not able to attend school with white children. Martin graduated from Booker T. Washington High School when he was just 15 and went right to college. Following in his grandfather's and father's footsteps, he attended Atlanta's important Morehouse College, graduating in 1948 with a degree in sociology. He then moved north to Pennsylvania to study religion at the Crozer Theological Seminary. (During his stay at the seminary, he studied the teachings of Indian spiritual leader Mohandas Gandhi, who cautioned against violence as a way to bring about social change.) The seminary classes included students of varying colors of skin, and Martin was elected president of his senior class, a class that had mostly white students in it. He received his seminary degree in 1951 and then moved on to Boston University, from which he graduated in 1955 with a doctorate degree.