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# Two Truths and One Lie: MLK, Jr.



Read the three statements about Martin Luther King, Jr. Can you figure out which two statements are true and which one is false? Research using books, articles, or websites to confirm your answer. Circle the lie.

Sample Answers

**1** Martin Luther King, Jr. was inspired by Gandhi's peaceful protest and Christian values, so he decided to preach about nonviolent protests for social change.

**2** In the speech, "Strength to Love", Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that."

**3** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, celebrated on the last Monday of January, is about celebrating the life and successes of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Answer these questions after doing some research.

1. Fix the false statement so that it is now true.

The lie is number 3. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is actually celebrated the third Monday of January.

2. Choose a fact about Martin Luther King, Jr. you think is important.

Student answers will vary.

3. Explain why you chose that fact to share.

Student answers will vary, but should discuss the fact they chose for number 2.

4. On a separate sheet of paper, write a paragraph about Martin Luther King, Jr. using more than two sources for information (like a website and an article).