



Montgomery Bus Boycott (11.10.4)

Background:

The arrest of Rosa Parks in December 1955 for refusing to give up her seat to a white passenger led to an organized movement to change the law requiring African American passengers to sit in the back of the bus. The 13-month boycott of the city busses brought together groups from various levels of life and brought to the forefront new leaders of the Civil Rights Movement.

Prompt:

Why did the Montgomery Bus Boycott succeed?

Task:

In a well thought out essay:

- Write a claim in response to the prompt.
- Support your claim by using at least five pieces of evidence from the documents, background reading, and additional research on the Montgomery Bus Boycott.
- Be sure to explain how the evidence you have chosen supports your claim
- Incorporate at least two additional pieces of evidence from the documents and/or your research that argues against your claim and use your evidence to counter that opposing claim.