

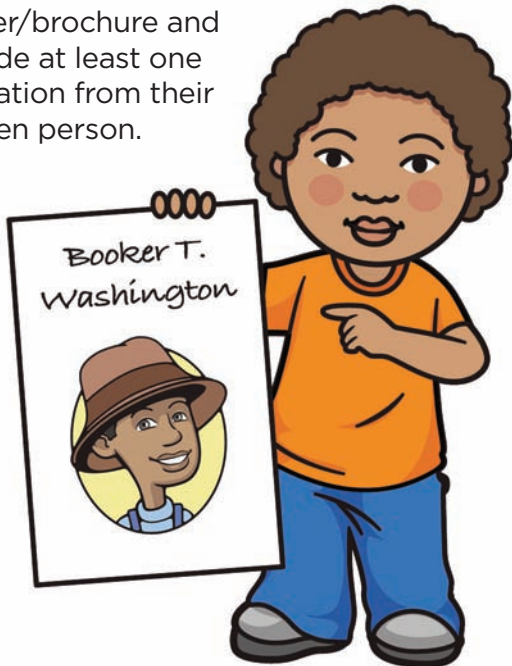
# Martin's Big Words

## RIF EXTENSION ACTIVITIES FOR EDUCATORS



### WIDENING THE SCOPE

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Rosa Parks weren't the only people who fought for equal rights. Let each student pick a figure from history who's fought for equality (you might want to give them a list to choose from) and make a poster or brochure about that person. Have them decorate their poster/brochure and include at least one quotation from their chosen person.



### QUOTATION WALL

Materials: paper, markers, stickers (optional), tape

Remind students what a quotation is. Have each child pick a quotation that's meaningful for them and write it on a sheet of paper in big letters. Let them decorate their quotes, then pick one wall to be the "quote wall" and tape the papers up. You might have them write a paragraph or two explaining why the quote is important and what it means to them. Add quotations from your readings to the wall during the year.

### "BIG WORD" COLLAGE

Materials: white paper, magazines, scissors, glue, pencils or pens

The pictures in this book are collages. Let children make their own collages. Have them pick one of Martin's big words from the last page of the book. Tell them to cut out pictures from a magazine that make them think of that word. Glue the pictures onto the white paper to make a "big word" collage.



### CLASS TIMELINE

Materials: white or construction paper, pens, markers, tape

1. Divide students into groups or pairs.
2. Assign each group a time period and have them pick 2-4 major events from Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life that happened in that period.
3. Give them a long sheet of construction paper and have them place their events on a timeline with dates, a brief description and an illustration.
4. Have students present their timelines in front of the class. Afterward, put all the sheets together to make one long timeline for the class.

