

# Rosa Parks

Rosa was born on 4<sup>th</sup> February 1913 in Alabama and lived in the United States.

## Rosa's Family

- Rosa's mum worked as a teacher.
- Rosa's dad worked as a carpenter.
- Rosa also had a younger brother.
- When she was young, Rosa went to live on her grandparents' farm with her mum and her brother.



## Rosa's Life

Rosa lived at a time when life was very different for Black people and White people in the United States. Black people did not have the same rights and were treated very unfairly. They were made to go to different schools, churches and even public toilets.



## The Bus Ride

Black people and White people also had to sit in different seats on the bus. On the 1<sup>st</sup> December 1955, the bus driver told Rosa to move for a White person. She refused to move and so was arrested by the police.

When Rosa was freed, Black people began to protest. They stopped using the buses to travel. This protest went on for 381 days until it was agreed by the government that all people could sit anywhere on the bus.

## Rosa Parks Day

Each year, Rosa Parks Day is celebrated in some states because of the work Rosa did to help the rights of Black people.