

Brave Girls Virtual Story Time:

Equality's Call: The Story of Voting Rights in America

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learning guide

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- "CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED" : deems a government to be just only if it is supported by the people under which it exercises its political influence
- VOTE : an expression of choice
- ELECTION : a choice made through the act of voting
- CITIZENSHIP : the legal status of being a member of a country
- FRANCHISE or SUFFRAGE : the right to vote in an election
- DEMOCRACY : a form of government in which the common people hold political power and rule through elected representatives
- RIGHTS : one's inherent or legal abilities to act
- ABOLITION : the end of slavery
- FOUNDING IDEAL : a standard on which a means of governing is built
- FOUNDERS : the dreamers who originally made our country a reality
- REPRESENTATION : speaking or acting on behalf of someone else
- SUFFRAGIST : a person who advocates for the right to vote to be extended to more people
- EQUALITY : fairness in status, rights, and opportunities
- CIVIL RIGHTS : the rights of citizens to political and social freedom and equality
- VOTER SUPPRESSION : discouraging or preventing people from voting
- AMENDMENT : a change or addition designed to improve a law

Discover Together

Discover More about Voting-Related Amendments and Legislation:

- **Fifteenth Amendment, 1870, granted African American men the right to vote:**
https://kids.kiddle.co/Fifteenth_Amendment_to_the_United_States_Constitution
- **Nineteenth Amendment, 1920, granted women the right to vote:**
<http://www.crusadeforthevote.org/>
- **The Indian Citizenship Act, 1924, granted citizenship to Native Americans:** <https://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/the-indian-citizenship-act>
- **The Chinese Exclusion Repeal Act, 1943, granted citizenship to some Chinese immigrants AND The Immigration and Nationality Act, 1952, ended Asian-American citizenship restrictions:**
<https://history.state.gov/milestones/1937-1945/chinese-exclusion-act-repeal> AND <https://history.state.gov/milestones/1945-1952/immigration-act>
- **The Voting Rights Act, 1965, outlawed discriminatory voting rules such as literacy tests:** <https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/voting-rights-act>



My Favorite Part of This Story is . . .

- *Draw a picture;*
- *Journal your thoughts;*
- *Describe your favorite part of the story to someone else;*
- *Describe the American people in 3 words (here are ours!: caring, resilient, determined).*



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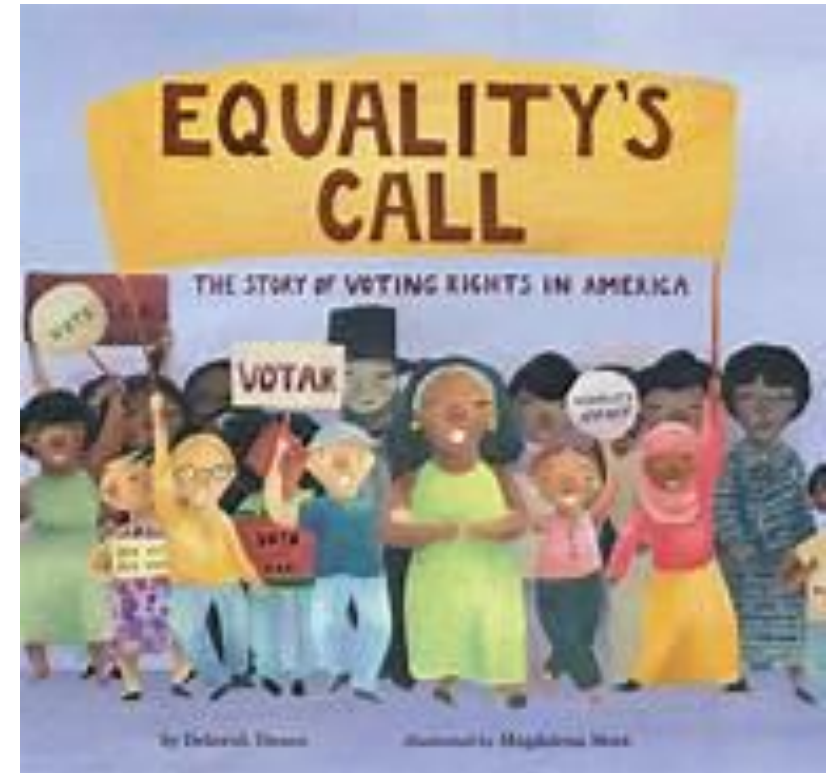
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