

Fighting for your rights

(Lessons about the Civil Rights Movements, USA and The Woman's Rights Movement in the USA- niveau 3°)



Grammar: auxiliaires modaux + be allowed to, have to; voix passive; comparatif; « whereas »

Problems studied in class

Segregation

Be segregated (où la ségrégation est appliquée)
 Be separated from one another (être séparé les uns des autres)
 Use « white » drinking fountains (utiliser)
 bathrooms in gas stations
 Eat in the same restaurants (manger)
 Sit in a separate waiting room at bus stations (s'asseoir)
 the back of the buses
 Attend segregated schools (aller dans ...)
 Go to
 Swim in the same swimming pools or at public beaches
 Marry (épouser)
 Buy homes in the same neighbourhoods as ... (acheter des maisons
 dans les mêmes quartiers)

Women's lack of rights

Be regarded as inferior and as subordinate to men (être considéré comme)
 Wear uncomfortable dresses (porter des robes inconfortables)
 Stay at home (rester à la maison)

 Sign contracts, legal papers (signer)
 Use their own earnings (utiliser leur propre salaire)
 Hold property (être propriétaire)
 Have guardianship of their children in case of divorce (avoir la garde de)
 Make their own will (faire leur propre testament)
 Sue ; bear witness (faire un procès ; témoigner)
 Vote (→19th Amendment: 1920).
 Train for skilled works (se former pour des emplois qualifiés)
 Receive the same pay as a man for similar work (recevoir le même salaire)

Threats and violence

be fired from their jobs (être licencié)
 be evicted from their home (être expulsé)
 be arrested by
 be threatened (être menacé)
 be treated horribly (être traité horriblement)
 be hurt/injured (être blessé)
 be burnt (être brûlé)
 be stoned (être lapidé)
 be beaten up (être battu)
 be lynched (être lynché)
 be shot down /killed (être abattu/tué)

Fighting

Verbs:
 Have a dream (avoir un rêve)
 Join together; gather (se rassembler)
 Face danger/difficulties (faire face au danger/aux difficultés)
 Challenge something (défier)
 Put a stop to (mettre un terme)
Nouns:
 Freedom (liberté); Justice; Equality; Brotherhood (fraternité)
Adjectives:
 Bold (intrépide); Brave (courageux); Fearless (sans peur)
 Committed (engagé); Fair (juste)

