

## Rosa Parks:



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Rosa Parks was an African American activist in the civil rights movement. She was born in Tuskegee, Alabama on February the 4th, 1913 and died in Detroit, Michigan, 19 October 24th 2005 (aged 92). At the age of 16 she had to leave school to care for her dying grandma and shortly after, her sick mother. At 19 she married a man called Raymond Parks (who worked as a barber). Later on she joined the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People) with her husband.

The first of December 1955, Rosa Parks did something that changed the community. She was sitting in the 'coloured' seat on the bus when a white lady told her to stand up and give the seat to her. Rosa refused which led to the police arresting her! The worst thing I find about that is, if Rosa was white the lady wouldn't even have thought about firmly asking Rosa to give up her seat.

She has inspired many to stand up for their race, religion and rights. I have chosen Rosa Parks because she was one of the people that caused huge change and equality in America.