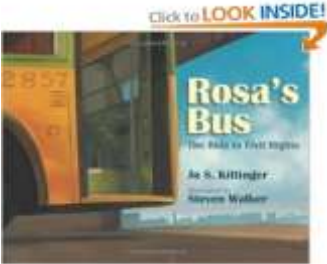



Book Backdrops: Connecting Literature and Primary Sources

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<p style="text-align: center;">Cover Image</p> 	<p>Title: Rosa's Bus</p> <p>Author: Jo S. Kitting</p> <p>Illustrator: Steven Walker</p> <p>Grade Level(s): 1st to 3rd</p> <p>Topic/Theme: Civil rights, segregation, social injustice</p> <p>Setting and Time Period: Montgomery, Alabama during the 1955 bus boycotts</p> <p>Subjects: Rosa Parks, civil rights, segregation, Martin Luther King, Jr., Jim Crow Laws</p> <p>Brief overview: The book explores the Montgomery Bus Boycott by taking on the role of bus #2857. While exploring the book readers see the actions of Rosa Parks, a women who refused to be segregated, Martin Luther King, Jr., and the African American citizens of Montgomery, Alabama, and how they worked in order to end bus segregation in their town.</p>
<p>Primary Sources Thumbnail</p> 	<p>Library of Congress Bibliographic Information and Book Notes</p> <p>Title: [Rosa Parks, three-quarter length portrait, seated toward front of bus, facing right, Montgomery, Alabama]</p> <p>Reproduction Number: LC-USZ62-111235 (b&w film copy neg.)</p> <p>Creator(s): New York World-Telegram & the Sun Newspaper Photograph Collection</p> <p>Date Created / Published: 1956</p> <p>URL: http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/94505572/</p> <p>Book Notes: This picture shows Rosa Parks sitting on the front of a bus after the Montgomery Bus Boycott ended. This relates to the book Rosa's bus because it deals with segregation being deemed unconstitutional by the Supreme Court on December 20th, 1956.</p>



Title: Rosa Parks's Arrest
Creator(s): New York World-Telegram and Sun Collection
Date Created / Published: 1956
URL: <http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/94500293/>

Book Notes: Rosa Parks was arrested for not moving seats for a white person after being asked to do so by a Montgomery bus driver.



Title: Martin Luther King press conference
Creator(s): Marion S. Trikosko
Date Created / Published: March 26th, 1964
URL: <http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2003688129/>

Book Notes: Martin Luther King, Jr. appears in the book as the leader of the bus boycott in Montgomery, AL. He is considered the greatest advocate for civil rights, and especially notable because of his pacifist approach to social justice.

Audio Clip of Rosa Parks provided through NPR

Title: Main reason for keeping her seat
Creator: Lynn Neary
Date Created / Published: 1992
URL: <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=4973548>

Book Notes: This recording recounts the true reason why Rosa Parks did not give up her seat. The book Rosa's Bus gives a simple part of her reason, but this audio clip outlines more of the social injustices felt by Rosa herself.



Title: [Audience at the First Baptist Church during a standing ovation for leaders of the bus boycott] (Devised by Library Staff)
Creator: United Press International
Date Created / Published: February 23rd, 1956
URL: <http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2005676950/>

Book Notes: This photo shows people in a church celebrating the leaders of the Bus Boycott. In the book the author presents that the ideas and word of the Bus Boycott began in churches in the Montgomery area.



Title: "Tote dat barge! Lift dat Boycott! Ride dat bus!"
Creator: Herbert Block
Date Created / Published: Published in the Washington Post on March 25th 1956
URL: <http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/00652205/>

Book Notes: This editorial cartoon shows a White man telling an African-American man to ride the bus. This is important because the book Rosa's Bus states that the city of Montgomery, especially the bus company, needed African-Americans to ride the buses to provide money for the community.



Title: Civil Rights March on Washington, D.C.: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and Mathew Ahmann, Executive Director of the National Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice, in a Crowd

Creator: Staff and Stringer Photographs

Date Created / Published: August 28th, 1963

URL:

http://www.wdl.org/en/item/2738/#ddc=323&search_page=1&view_type=gallery

Book Notes: Martin Luther King, Jr. is shown here on the day of the March on Washington. This peaceful demonstration is when King delivered his “I Have A Dream” speech. This event is considered to be a great stepping stone, if not the turning point, in getting equality for blacks through the civil rights legislation signed in 1964 and 1965.

Vocabulary, themes, people, dates and places

Boycott

Democracy

Fares

Desegregation

Segregation

Colored

Jim Crow Laws

Civil Rights

Women’s Political Council

NAACP

Montgomery, AL

Rosa Parks

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Supreme Court

General Motors

December 1st, 1955

Henry Ford Museum