Nonviolent Civil Rights Movements

- 1. Rosa Parks
 - a. Refused to give up her bus seat -> charged
 - b. Montgomery Bus Boycotts started the day she was in court
 - i. December 5th, 1955
 - c. She was found guilty
 - d. Took to the Supreme Court
 - i. Ruled bus segregation was unconstitutional
 - ii. Bus boycott finally ended on December 20th, 1956 (381 days).
- 2. Freedom Rides
 - a. Organized by Congress of Racial Equality (CORE)
 - b. Goal -> test Supreme Court rule that said segregation of interstate transportation was constitutional.
 - c. 1st ride left in May, 1961 & had 13 (7 black and 6 white) people i. Met with extreme violence
 - d. Other rides saw similar things
 - e. U.S. Attorney General Robert Kennedy had to call marshalls to the south & JFK asked for a "cooling off period."
 - f. Finally in December of 1961, with pressure from the Kennedy administration, segregation of interstate transportation was banned.
- 3. Woolworth Sit-In
 - a. February 1st, 1960 4 black men sat at a Woolworth's lunch counter in North Carolina for lunch -> refused service
 - b. Came back the following day -> movement spread across the country.
 - c. That summer dining facilities across the country quietly got rid of their segregated sections.