

# VOCAB-u-lous!

## Build a Fabulous Vocab

### Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

“I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear.”

—*Martin Luther King Jr, 1929–1968*

The King Center is devoted to “building a national and international network of organizations that help further the ... objectives ... that Dr. King envisioned.” Use a word from the Word Bank to complete each sentence below. Yes, you may use your dictionary.

<b>Word Bank</b>	adhered	discourse	exhorted	incensed	inherent
	legacy	notorious	pastored	pivotal	relinquished

1. Martin Luther King Jr., a \_\_\_\_\_ civil rights leader, was only 39 when he was assassinated.
2. King was a third-generation \_\_\_\_\_ at Morehouse College, in Atlanta, following in the footsteps of his father and grandfather.
3. The Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site includes King’s boyhood home and the Ebenezer Baptist Church, where he and his father \_\_\_\_\_.
4. King \_\_\_\_\_ to the idea that nonviolent civil disobedience could bring about change.
5. In 1956, after his home was bombed, King pleaded with an \_\_\_\_\_ crowd for nonviolence.
6. After meeting Mohandas Gandhi, King said the Mahatma “embodied in his life certain universal principles that are \_\_\_\_\_ in the moral structure of the universe. ...”
7. King \_\_\_\_\_ President John F. Kennedy to issue a second Emancipation Proclamation eliminating racial segregation.
8. King delivered his “I Have a Dream” \_\_\_\_\_ to more than 200,000 demonstrators gathered at the Lincoln Memorial.
9. FBI director J. Edgar Hoover called King “the most \_\_\_\_\_ liar in the country.”
10. When King won the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize, he \_\_\_\_\_ the prize money, using it instead to support the civil rights movement.