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Lyndon B. Johnson, Thurgood Marshall, and Cesar Chavez Study Guide

Test Date is Thursday, February 5th

LBJ

- President Johnson signed the voting rights act of 1965 in order to protect the rights of African Americans.
- The early learning program that Johnson started to provide preschool children with the opportunity to learn to read is called Head Start.
- Ending poverty was the goal of Johnson's Great Society program.
- Vice President Johnson suddenly became president when President Kennedy was assassinated.
- Johnson is most known for working against poverty and segregation.
- LBJ believed that everyone should be respected no matter what their differences. This is known as having tolerance.
- LBJ grew up very poor, in a house with no electricity and no running water. He knew that many people did not have good homes or enough food. Because of this, he wanted to solve the problem of poverty.
- Influenced by MLK Jr. and Thurgood Marshall, Senator Johnson tried to persuade others to pass laws to protect civil rights.
- LBJ used tax money to provide necessary government services.
- Be able to use a timeline to answer questions about when Johnson worked for Congress.

Marshall

- Because he wanted to protect his rights and the rights of others, civil rights for African Americans were important to Marshall.
- Many years ago, African Americans were not allowed to stay at the same hotels or eat at the same restaurants as other people. These are some examples of segregation.

- At the movies one day, Marshall and some friends were told to sit in the balcony with the other African Americans instead of on the main floor. This is an example of segregation.
- We remember Marshall today for being the 1st African American on the Supreme Court and for helping to end school segregation.
- Marshall's father taught him how to discuss his views on an issue. When people do this in a formal setting, it's called a debate.
- As a punishment, Marshall's teachers made him memorize the United States Constitution, which states the nation's laws. This came in handy when he went to law school to study law and become a lawyer.
- Taxes pay for services for citizens. The problem with "separate but equal" for African Americans is that services were not provided equally.

Chavez

- Chavez and his family were known as migrant workers, which means they traveled from place to place in order to find work on farms.
- Chavez organized nonviolent protests such as boycotts (abstaining from buying) to encourage people not to buy grapes until the working conditions of grape pickers improved.
- Another protest that Chavez led was a 1,000 mile march to show his commitment to long hours and hard work.
- Chavez organized a strike to force business owners to make changes in low pay or bad working conditions. When workers strike, they refuse to work.
- Chavez and his family were forced to move to California to find jobs because of the Great Depression.
- Chavez showed freedom of conscience and expression by speaking out for the rights of others. Freedom of conscience and expression means freedom to have your religious, political, or ethical beliefs and to be able to express those beliefs.

*Be able to describe with 2 or more details how all three men could be connected through their work, values, ideas, and/or childhood experiences.

