

Who can remember some facts about Hawaii?

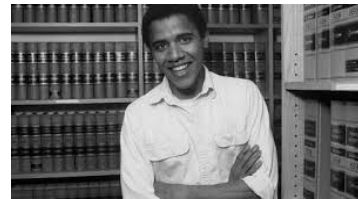
Today, we are going to learn about a very famous man who was born in Hawaii.



Barack Obama

President of the USA - 2009 - 2017

Before he was president...



- Barack Obama was born in Hawaii on August 4, 1961.
- He lived in Hawaii and in Jakarta, Indonesia.
- He graduated from Harvard Law School. He became a civil rights lawyer and a law professor.



- Barack Obama was the 44th president of the USA
- He is the first African - American president
- He ended US involvement of war in Iraq
- He made health insurance more widely available in the USA

Barack Obama
was called "Barry"
when he was
a kid.

He ate unique
things like snake
meat when he lived
in Indonesia.



He loves
to play
basketball.

He has written
several books.

So if there was 43 presidents before Obama, why is he so famous?

- Barack Obama is the first African-American president of the United States.
- Being elected president was a great victory for all people of the United States because his election represents hope for racial equality.
- President Obama's campaigns stood for hope and progress.

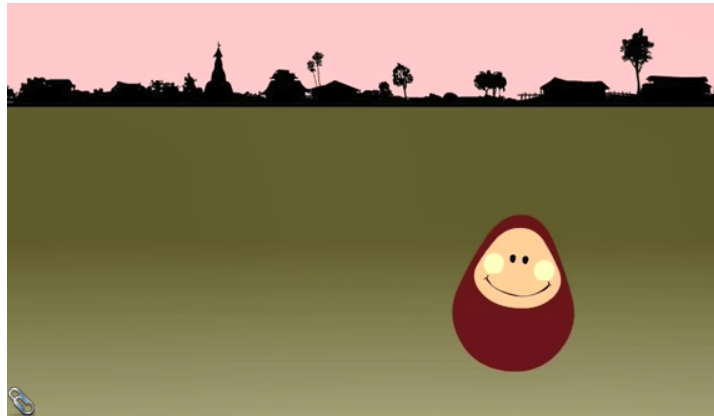




Task

**Complete the factfile about Barack Obama
with your partner.**

Watch this video carefully, what message do you think it is trying to get across?



What do you think is meant by the word
equality?



Sadly, not so very long ago, many people were treated badly simply because of the colour of their skin.

Do you know of any stories where people have been treated differently?

Segregation was legal and normal in many countries across the world, for many years. For example, until 1964, it was still legal to separate white and African-American people in some states.



A separate drinking fountain in North Carolina



A separate cinema entrance in Mississippi

There were people who realised that this was wrong and tried to do something about it. One of these people was Rosa Parks.



Rosa Parks
1913-2005

Rosa Parks was born in America and, as a child, she was used to having to sit at the back of a bus because she had black skin, but she didn't think that this was fair. One day on a bus, she refused to give her seat to a white person just because she was black. She was arrested by the police and fined for breaking the rules, but other black people and some white people as well, agreed with Rosa and made this clear to the American government. Eventually, they changed the rule and black people no longer had to sit in a separate section of the bus or give up their seat to someone just because of the colour of their skin.

She wanted to make the world a better place.

This is why Barack Obama is so famous. It was a huge turning point for the USA to have a black president.

During his term in office, he wanted to continue thinking about how he could make the world a better place, like others had done before him.

What would you do to make the world a better place?



Attachments

Equality video.mp4