**Freedom Riders Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[US Freedom Rides - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/modern-history/mod-freedom-ride-reading/)

1. What were the Freedom Rides?
2. When did the Freedom Rides begin?
3. What was the Supreme Court's decision in Morgan v. Virginia?
4. Who led the Montgomery Bus Boycott?
5. What was the purpose of the Freedom Riders' journey?
6. How many protestors started the Freedom Rides, and what was their racial composition?
7. Where did the Freedom Riders intend to arrive, and why?
8. What happened at Rock Hill, South Carolina?
9. Describe the incident that occurred in Anniston, Alabama.
10. What was the reaction of the police in Birmingham?
11. Who negotiated the release of the Freedom Riders from jail?
12. What happened at the Montgomery bus station?
13. How did President Kennedy respond to the violence against the Freedom Riders?
14. What were the charges against the Freedom Riders in Jackson, Mississippi?
15. When did the new ban on segregation in all bus facilities take effect?
16. Who was one of the most famous Freedom Riders?
17. What honor was awarded to John Lewis?
18. What did the Freedom Rides show about the enforcement of civil rights laws?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you learnt in your reading, answer the following question in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*How does the event of the Freedom Rides illustrate how Americans were divided about the issues of segregation and integration in the 1960s?*