**Malcolm X Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[Malcolm X's role in the civil rights era - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/modern-history/mod-malcolm-x-reading/)

1. What was Malcolm X's birth name, and where was he born?
2. Who were Malcolm X's parents, and what were their occupations?
3. What happened to Malcolm's father, and how did it affect the family?
4. What criminal activities was Malcolm involved in before joining the Nation of Islam?
5. How did Malcolm X become introduced to the teachings of the Nation of Islam?
6. Why did Malcolm change his surname from Little to 'X'?
7. What was Malcolm X's stance on nonviolent resistance, and how did it differ from Martin Luther King, Jr.'s philosophy?
8. What were the reasons for Malcolm X's break from the Nation of Islam?
9. What organization did Malcolm X found after leaving the Nation of Islam?
10. How did Malcolm X's pilgrimage to Mecca change his views on race relations?
11. Who assassinated Malcolm X, and where did it happen?
12. How old was Malcolm X at the time of his death?
13. What was the main focus of the Black Panther Party, which was inspired by Malcolm X?
14. What was the name of the 1992 biopic about Malcolm X?

**Paragraph Writing**

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

*In what ways was Malcolm X different to other civil rights leaders in the 1960s?*