

Separate but equal ?

>> Look at the photos and react.



Segregated water fountains
Elliott Erwitt. 1950, North Carolina, USA.

*This photo was taken in Northern Carolina, in the United States.
It dates from 1950 (70 years ago)
It takes place in a bathroom / public restroom.*

*We can see two segregated water fountains.
The water fountain on the left looks more modern and cleaner than the other one*

*The African-Americans didn't have the right to use the same water fountain as Whites
The Black were forbidden to wash their hand or drink water from the fountain reserved for Whites.
The White were allowed to use the most modern equipment and do more things than Black people.*

This photo is shocking I think it is unfair ! Why did they separate Black people ?



*This photo represents a theatre / a movie theatre
It must be in the South of the USA in the 1950s during the segregation.*

*The African-Americans couldn't go to the same theatres as White people.
The Black were forbidden to go to movie theatre for White people.*

*This photo is unbelievable I think it was cruel for Afro-Americans.
It makes me feel ... because Black people were victims of racism.
sad*



This is a sign that was probably in an American restaurant or a bar.

We can read that they serve White people ONLY.

It means that Spanish and Mexicans were not allowed to enter this place.

So the segregation touched not only Black people but also the Spanish and the Mexican community.

Look at the map of the USA. React.



1. Quelle est la nature de ce document ? It's a map of the USA

2. De quand date-t-il ? It dates from 1950

3. Regarde la légende. Cite 5 Etats américains (en français) où la ségrégation était légale.

Florida (Floride) Texas Alabama Louisiana (Louisiane) Georgia (Géorgie)
North Carolina (Caroline du Nord) Tennessee Mississippi

4. Regarde la légende. Cite 5 Etats américains (en français) où la ségrégation était interdite.

New York Michigan Pennsylvania Colorado Illinois Michigan New Jersey Wisconsin

DOCUMENT n°2 (compréhension écrite)

Voici les lois de ségrégation de l'époque, appelées « Jim Crow Laws » (voir coursfrazier.fr)

Lis et regarde les photos sur le lien vers les « Jim Crow Laws ».

Puis, écris en français 4 choses que les afro-américains n'avaient pas le droit de faire.

1. Il était interdit pour les personnes de couleur de jouer à des jeux de société avec des blancs

2. Interdit pour une personne de couleur ou d'origine asiatique de se marier avec un blanc

3. Il y avait des écoles pour les blancs et des écoles pour les noirs

4. Dans les transports (trains/bus), il y avait une séparation entre les noirs et les blancs

DOCUMENT N°3 (compréhension orale) Ecoute et complète en anglais

1. Was Jim Crow a real person ? It was created by a white man. It was an invention.
2. What was he created for ? To make fun of Black people / To separate / To segregate the Black
3. What were the Jim Crow laws ? (complète les phrases ci-dessous)

African Americans had to ~~live~~ *live separately* / they couldn't play cards or chess with White people
It was illegal for them to.... ~~attend~~ *attend a school where there were White children.*
They were forbidden to.. ~~get married~~ *get married with a White person / play*
Some laws prevented them from... ~~voting~~ *voting.*

TACHE ECRITE : En t'aidant de tout ce que tu as fait aujourd'hui et des informations données dans les documents, écris une définition précise en anglais de "American racial segregation" (où ? quand ? qui ? quoi ? détails ?)

~~It is a separation of people into racial groups in daily life.~~
~~It took place in the USA in the 1950s.~~
~~African Americans and some other minorities (Asian, Spanish-speaking people, Native Americans) were separated and segregated because of the White supremacy. They were forbidden by law to go to the places where the White people could go (restaurants, bars, schools, transports, parks, restrooms).~~
~~This separation was legal and enforced by law in most Southern States of America. (Texas, Alabama, Oklahoma, Louisiana, North/South Carolina, Mississippi)~~
~~It was shocking and cruel and Black people suffered from this unfair situation.~~
~~Today, racial segregation is illegal in the USA.~~