THINKING ABOUT QUOTES OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

AND KINDNESS

Friday, January 15th, is Martin Luther King’s Birthday. On Monday, January 18th, we have no school to honor him and his life’s work. Below are some Dr. King quotes. The first two we are discussing in class.

Write your answers in your scribblers or on Google Docs.

* **No work is insignificant. All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with painstaking excellence.”**
* **“Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?” I think it means:**

*Did talking about them help you to understand them better?*

For P.S. Work, please read and respond to the other quotes.

* For each quote write down what you think it means
* Write down how it might connect to you or to our class
* Write down any responses you have to it: For example, questions, opinions, reactions.
* You might need to look up some words.

“In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.”

“Never, never be afraid to do what's right, especially if the well-being of a person or animal is at stake. Society's punishments are small compared to the wounds we inflict on our soul when we look the other way.”

BELOW ARE SOME KINDNESS QUOTES: Read them all. Then answer the questions below.

We must use time wisely and forever realize that the time is always ripe to do right." Nelson Mandela

[No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/a/aesop109734.html) [Aesop](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/a/aesop.html)

“[Be kind to unkind people - they need it the most](http://thinkexist.com/quotation/be_kind_to_unkind_people-they_need_it_the/198541.html).”

- Ashleigh Brilliant

“[What wisdom can you find that is greater than kindness?](http://thinkexist.com/quotation/what_wisdom_can_you_find_that_is_greater_than/148013.html)”

Jean-Jacques Rousseau

“Never look down on anybody unless you're helping them up.”

― [Jesse Jackson](http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/268964.Jesse_Jackson)

“Indifference and neglect often do much more damage than outright dislike.”

― [J.K. Rowling](http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/1077326.J_K_Rowling), [*Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*](http://www.goodreads.com/work/quotes/2809203)

Pick one kindness quote. Explain how it connects to your life or something you have read or heard about. Then explain how you might act differently as a result of thinking about it.

Now it’s your turn. After having read the Martin Luther King quotes and the kindness quotes, write your own ‘quote’. Make sure it is something you think you or people you know would benefit from.