

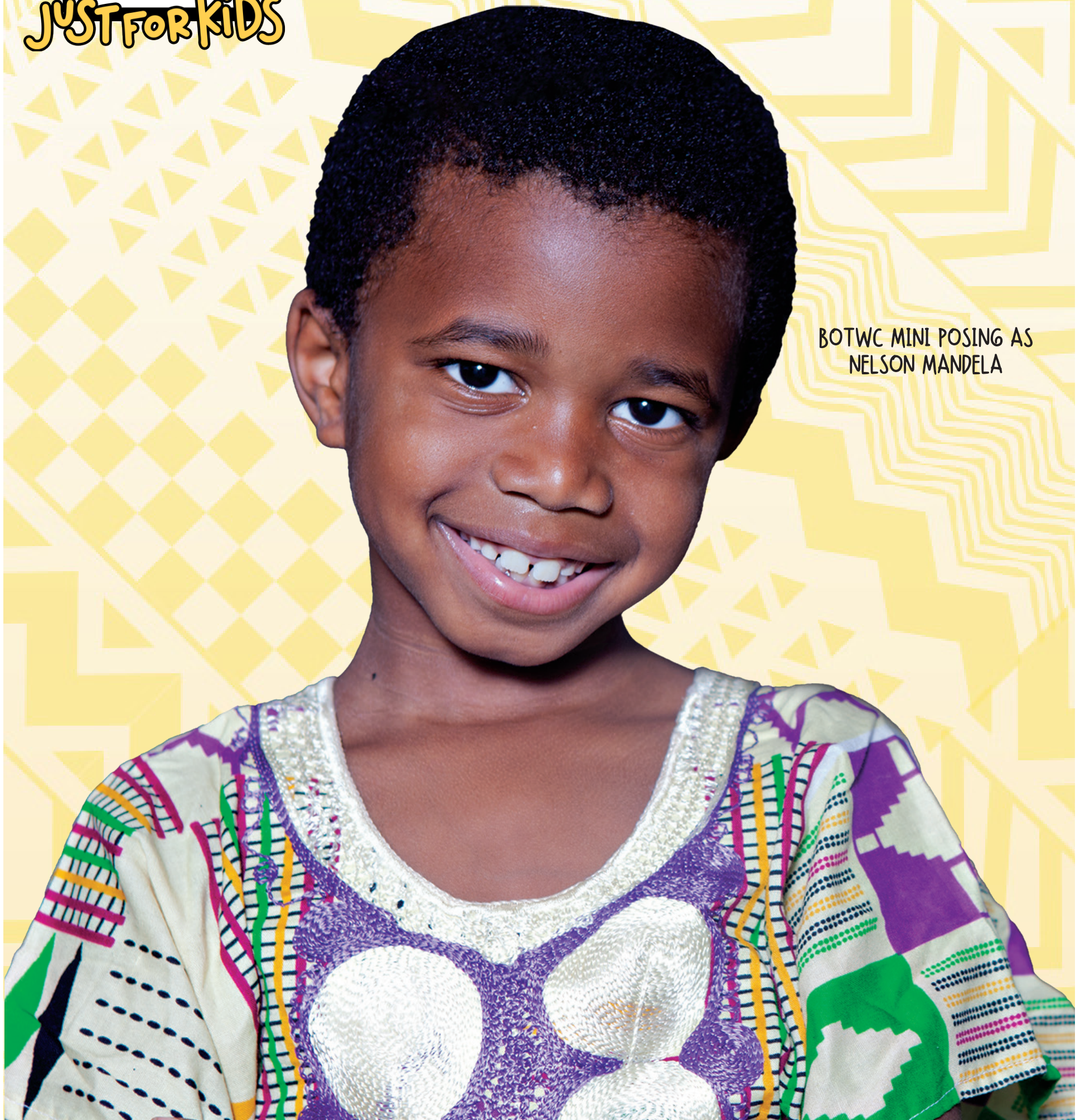
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# BECAUSE OF NELSON MANDELA

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NELSON MANDELA

# THE MAN WHO WAS CALLED MANDELA

*Directions: Read the following story, which tells you about the life of Nelson Mandela and how he became such an important figure. Use the story to answer questions.*



Young Nelson Mandela

Once upon a time, there was a young child called Rolihlahla Mandela. He was the child of a man who was the principal **counsellor** to the king.

After his father died he was a ward at the great palace. He heard many stories of elders who were fighting for freedom, and hearing those stories inspired him to want to do the same thing.

The young boy soon became a young man, and that **inspiration** never went away.

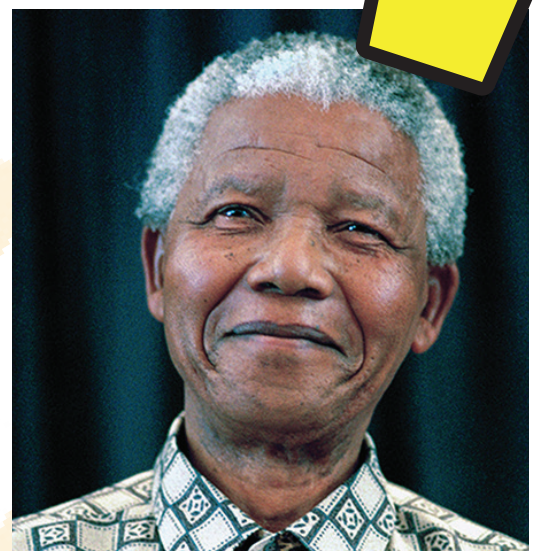
He began his college experience at the University College of Fort Hare, but he got kicked out of school for joining a student protest.

He became very active in fighting for freedom and all people. During that time apartheid was happening and Blacks and Whites were not treated equally. In 1944 he joined the African National Congress and was engaged in resistance. He went to **trial** for **treason** but he did not end up getting charged. The African National Congress was later banned, and Nelson Mandela faced many challenges. In 1967 he was **accused** of going against the government and spent 27 years in prison.

That did not stop his work and **dedication**, and when he got out he continued to fight to end apartheid. Years later he won the Nobel Peace Prize and he became the first Black president of South Africa.



That young boy turned leader and **icon** taught the world that no matter what happens, you can always make your dream come true.



# READ & RESPOND

1. What was Nelson Mandela fighting for?



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2. Why didn't he stop his work after he went to prison?



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3. How would you describe Nelson Mandela's character? Use evidence to support your ideas.

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4. What is the theme of this story?

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# THE PRIZE FOR PEACE

*Directions: First you will read about the Nobel Peace Prize to learn about the honor that it is. Then you will get to color and personalize your award to give own peace prize. You will choose someone who is doing something extraordinary at your home or school, or in your community.*

The Nobel Peace Prize is one of the most important honors and awards that anyone can receive. The prize was started after inventor and entrepreneur Alfred Nobel left his fortune to recognize and reward people many advances in society. There are actually six categories; peace, literature, physics, chemistry, economics, and medicine. The winners are chosen every year and they receive lots of recognition and about 1 million dollars (US). To get a Nobel prize a person has to be doing really amazing work to create or discover something that will change the world!

*Here are some cool facts about some of the Nobel Peace Prize Winners:*



**The Youngest Person to Win**  
MALALA YOUSAFZAI

**The First Black Woman to Win**  
WANGARI MAATHAI

**The First Black Man to Win**  
ROBERT BUNCHE

**Current Winners**  
MARIA RESSA & DMITRY MURATOV

**The Oldest Person to Win**  
JOHN GOODENOUGH

**President that has won**  
BARACK OBAMA

**Winner that has won multiple times**  
INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS

**First Winners**  
JEAN HENRY DUNANT & FRÉDÉRIC PASSY



## Peace Prize Award Certificate

Presented to

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for

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Signature

Date

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# THE PRIZE FOR PEACE

*In the space below, write a letter to the person you have chosen, explaining why you are giving your prize to them and honoring them!*



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**Counsellor** - a person who provides advice as a job : a person who counsels people

**Inspiration** - something that makes someone want to do something or that gives someone an idea about what to do or create

**Trial** - a formal meeting in a court in which evidence about crimes, disagreements, etc., is presented to a judge and often a jury so that decisions can be made according to the law

**Treason** - the crime of trying to overthrow your country's government or of helping your country's enemies during war

**Accused** - a person who is charged with a crime

**Dedication** - a feeling of very strong support for, or loyalty to someone or something

**Icon** - a person who is very successful and admired



# HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF

Many advances in science and medicine happen because we are able to find important patterns. Even some social issues are solved when patterns in behavior are discovered. No matter what you do, patterns are an important part of life and making life better. You may have even heard the saying “history repeats itself”, which is talking about a pattern in how we have done things over the years and how that pattern is very similar.

Directions: Look at the questions below and find the pattern to fill in the missing numbers.

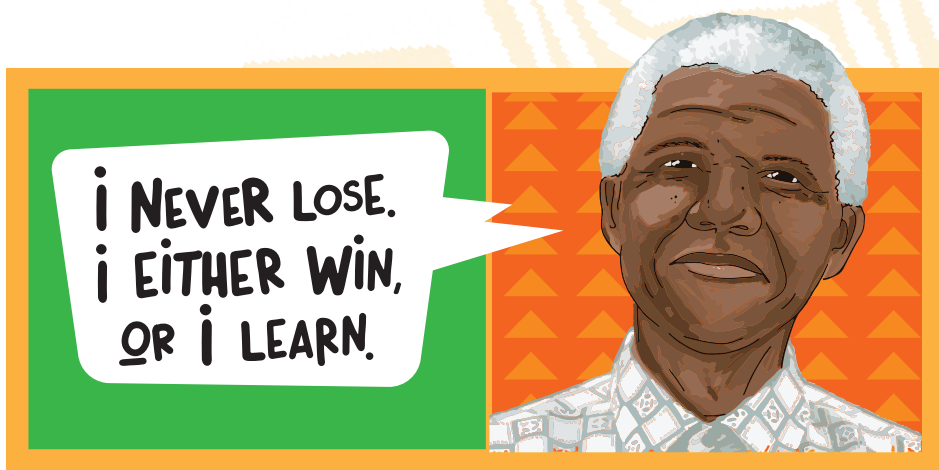
1. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

2. 26, 23, \_\_\_\_\_, 17, \_\_\_\_\_, 11, \_\_\_\_\_

3. 6, 12, 14, 28, 30, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

4. Add 8 each time: 9, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

5. Multiply by 3 and subtract 5 each time: 3, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_



I NEVER LOSE.  
I EITHER WIN,  
OR I LEARN.

ANSWER KEY: (1) Add 7: 37, 44 (2) Subtract 3: 20, 14, 8 (3) Multiply by 2 then add 2: 60, 62 (4) Add 8: 9, 17, 25, 33, 41, 49 (5) Multiply by 3 and subtract 5 each time: 4, 7, 16, 43

## TAKE THE PLEDGE

I WILL HONOR  
THE SACRIFICES OF  
MY ANCESTORS.

I WILL BELIEVE  
IN ME.

I WILL PURSUE  
MY DREAMS.

I WILL HELP  
OTHERS ALONG  
THE WAY.