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Ripple Of Change

Directions: Read each short Civil Rights event description. Identify the *cause* (what happened first) and the *effect* (what happened as a result). Then, explain how Dr. King's leadership helped turn each cause into a powerful moment for justice.

1. **Event 1:** Rosa Parks refused to give up her bus seat to a white passenger in Montgomery, Alabama.

Cause: _____

Effect: _____

2. **Event 2:** Thousands of people marched in Washington, D.C., to demand jobs and freedom while Dr. King delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech.

Cause: _____

Effect: _____

3. **Event 3:** Peaceful protesters in Selma, Alabama, were met with violence as they marched for voting rights. The nation saw the event on television.

Cause: _____

Effect: _____

4. **Event 4:** Dr. King preached that love and nonviolence were stronger than hate and anger. Many young people and communities began to follow his example.

Cause: _____

Effect: _____

Challenge Question: How did these cause-and-effect moments show that one person's courage can inspire a movement?