

DIRECTIONS

Read each passage. Then read each question about the passage. Decide which is the best answer to the question. Mark the space for the answer you have chosen.

SAMPLE

Rosa Parks

- 1 Many historians date the beginning of the modern civil rights movement in the United States to December 1, 1955. That was the day when Rosa Parks, an African-American woman who lived in Montgomery, Alabama, refused to give up her bus seat to a white passenger. Rosa Parks was arrested and fined for violating a city ordinance.
- 2 This event led to the formation of the Montgomery Improvement Association, which was led by the Baptist pastor Martin Luther King, Jr. The association called for a boycott that encouraged people not to ride the city-owned buses. This boycott lasted longer than 380 days. It brought Mrs. Parks, Dr. King, and their cause to the attention of the world.
- 3 Later the United States Supreme Court struck down the Montgomery ordinance under which Mrs. Parks had been fined. Rosa Parks' lonely act of defiance began a movement that eventually ended legal segregation in the United States.

A Read the sentence.

Rosa Parks was arrested and fined for violating a city ordinance.

In this sentence, the word ordinance refers to a kind of

- A document.
- B law.
- C plan.
- D partnership.

B The author's attitude toward Rosa Parks is *best* described as

- F admiring.
- G optimistic.
- H indifferent.
- J troubled.

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Read each question and choose the best answer.

Then mark the space for the answer you have chosen.

SAMPLE

Which of the following was a result of early-20th-century, large-scale immigration into the United States?

- A** low wages for unskilled labor
- B** a shortage of food products
- C** federal control of the public education system
- D** disappearance of urban, ethnic neighborhoods