

Basic US History
End Unit – Post WWII America
Eyes on the Prize Questions

Awakenings (1954-1956)

1. As a child Amzie Moore used to think that the white man was superior to the black man; why did he think this?

2. What was the Supreme Court's unanimous ruling on May 17, 1954 on the Brown vs. Board of Education case?

3. Where was Emmett Till from? Why was he in Money, Mississippi?

4. What did Emmett Till do that got him into trouble? What happened to him?

5. Why did Emmett Till's mother insist on having an open casket funeral for Emmett?

6. What Sheriff Strider say is the reason why trouble occurs between whites and blacks in Mississippi?

7. What is it so important that Mose Wright said “Dar he?” What was the jury’s verdict?

8. What was the seating procedure for blacks and whites on buses in Montgomery, Alabama?

9. What did Rosa parks do on December 1, 1955?

10. What did the black community of Montgomery do to protest the segregation of Montgomery’s buses? Why was this a good tactic to use? How long did it last?
