



- Nelson Mandela was born in 1918. His parents named him Rolihlaha. He was given the name Nelson by a teacher at school.
- Nelson Mandela was the first member of his family to go to school.
- Mandela spent most of his life fighting **racial prejudice** and seeking equal rights for black people.
- He became a lawyer and fought against injustice.
- In 1963 Mandela organised a three day workers strike and was sentenced to life imprisonment.
- He spent 27 years in prison before he was released.

- He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize and other awards for his bravery and courage.
- In 1994 when he was 77, he became the first president of **South Africa** to be elected by all the people, black as well as white.
- He worked to make South Africa a fair society for all its citizens.
- He died in 2013 aged 95

**Apartheid** - the segregation of black and white people.

**Racial Prejudice** - hostility against people of another race or colour.

**Political Party** - Organised group with similar opinions and political aims

**Nelson Mandela** was a campaigner for equality and justice who spent 27 years in prison for his beliefs

