



# I have a dream...

...of racial justice. One day in the future, our children will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character. I have a dream that one day, down in Alabama, with its jagged mountains and winding rivers, my Negro brothers and sisters in the deep South will have the same freedom as the Negroes and whites of Atlanta, Georgia. I have a dream that on this promissory note of the Declaration of Independence, the great promises of the Emancipation Proclamation, and the Reconstruction Amendments will not be allowed to dry up with the heat of the sun. I have a dream that one day, the states of Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama, which have been segregated for so long, will be transformed into an oasis of brotherhood. I have a dream that one day, the magnificent words of the Declaration of Independence will be fulfilled, and all men will be guaranteed the unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

*Martin Luther King Jr.*