

Nelson Mandela

- Born July 18th 1918
- Died December 5th 2013
- Imprisonment from 1964 to 1990 (27 years)
- President of South Africa from 1994 to 1998
- Married three wives and had six children



Apartheid

- The state of being apart
- Became a law in South Africa in 1950



Mandela against apartheid

- Joined the African National Congress in 1942
- To fight segregation in South Africa and protest non violently
- Its plan was to achieve equality for all South Africans through boycotts, strikes and civil obedience



Start of Controversy

- The government banned Mandela from speaking in public in 1952
- Arrested Mandela for the first time in 1955 with other activists
- Acquitted in 1961 over trial



MANDELA SPEAKING WITH CODEFENDANTS OUTSIDE THE "TREASON TRIAL," LATE 1950S

Sharpeville Massacre

- Police killed 69 unarmed black people in a protest in 1960
- Country's first state of emergency
- Banned the ANC and Mandela from speaking



Protest against apartheid

- Mandela after the massacre chose to go for a radical approach
- Forced underground Mandela and the ANC protested violently



Imprisonment

- Convicted in 1962 with conspiracy to overthrow the government
- Sentenced to life imprisonment in 1964 with seven other activists
- Was not allowed to attend his sons and mothers funeral



Free Mandela campaign

- Despite in confinement he remained the leader of the anti apartheid movement
- In 1980 the free nelson Mandela campaign started internationally
- It pressured the South African government



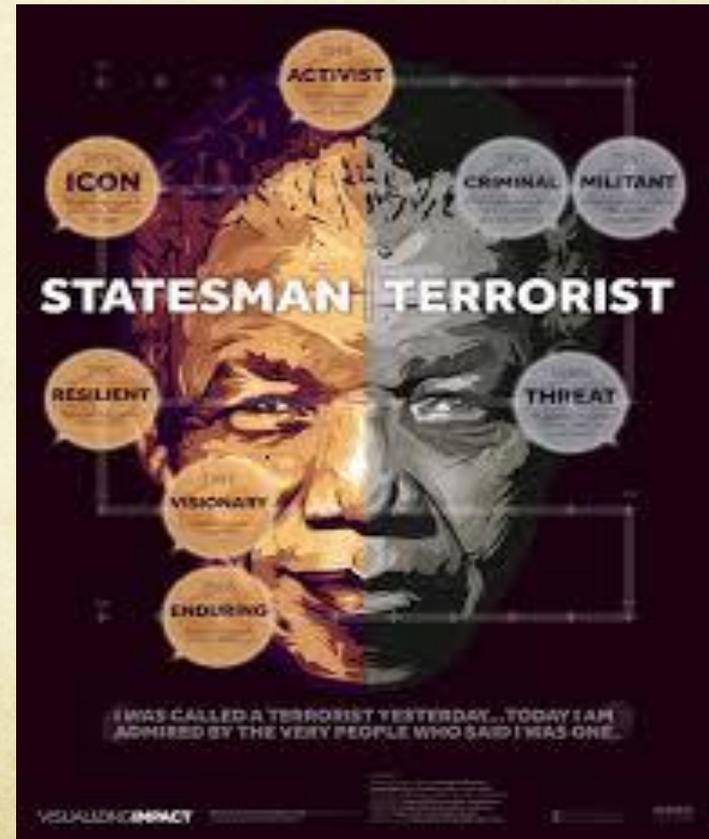
Release from Prison

- After 27 years in prison he was released in 1990
- He was offered freedom several times but rejected
- De Klerk lifted the ban on ANC and called for a non racist South Africa



Accomplishments

- Became President in 1994 in the first free equal election
- Defeated apartheid making a non racist South Africa
- Fought Racism while improving race relations



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