

UNITY IN DIVERSITY: OUR SINGLE GARMENT OF DESTINY

2025 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Writing Contest

Winners will be filmed reading their pieces, and the videos will be aired during the Crispus Attucks MLK Breakfast on Monday January 20, 2025.

Each student will receive up to four complimentary tickets to the Breakfast.

Martin Luther King Jr. was a powerful leader in the fight for civil rights and equality for all people. One of his famous quotes is:

"We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly."

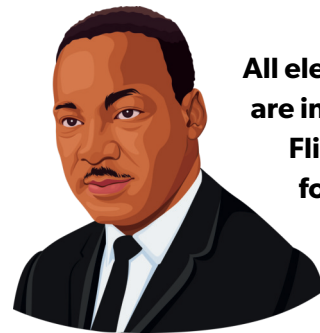
In your essay, explain what you think Martin Luther King Jr. meant by this quote. How do you think it relates to the idea of unity and diversity? Why is it important for people to work together, even when we are different?

In your answer, be sure to:

- Explain what you think the quote means.
- Give examples of how people can work together and support each other in your school, neighborhood, or the world, even when they are different.
- Share why you think unity and diversity are important for making the world a better place.

Feel free to use your imagination and ideas from what you've learned about Martin Luther King Jr.

**Elementary School
Entries should be a
maximum 250 words**



**All elementary schools
are invited to submit!
Flip to the back
for the criteria**



Submission

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Elementary School Criteria

All essays will be evaluated based on the following criteria

Criteria	4 - Excellent	3 - Good	2 - Satisfactory	1 - Developing
Understanding of the Quote	Demonstrates a clear and accurate understanding of the quote, explaining its meaning in detail.	Shows a general understanding of the quote, with a mostly clear explanation.	Shows some understanding of the quote, but the explanation is unclear or incomplete.	Demonstrates little or no understanding of the quote. The explanation is very limited or missing.
Connection to Unity and Diversity	Explains how the quote relates to unity and diversity with clear and thoughtful examples.	Explains the connection to unity and diversity with some relevant examples.	Makes a basic connection between the quote and unity/diversity but lacks clear examples.	Struggles to connect the quote to unity or diversity. Examples are absent or unrelated.
Examples and Details	Provides multiple specific examples of how people work together, even when different.	Provides some examples, though they may lack detail or specificity.	Provides limited or general examples that do not fully illustrate the point.	Examples are vague, irrelevant, or missing.
Clarity and Organization	The essay is well-organized and easy to follow, with clear sentences and ideas.	The essay is organized, with some minor issues in flow or clarity.	The essay is somewhat disorganized, making it difficult to follow the ideas.	The essay lacks organization, making the content hard to understand.

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