

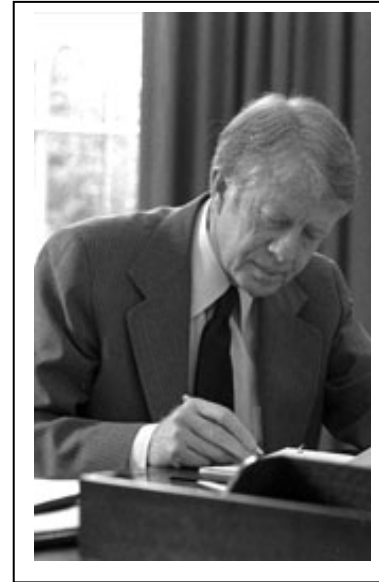
Jimmy Carter

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War may sometimes be a necessary evil. But no matter how necessary, it is always an evil, never a good. We will not learn how to live together in peace by killing each other's children.

Jimmy Carter was born October 1, 1924. He grew up in Plains, Georgia. His father was a farmer and his mother was a nurse. When Carter grew up he went into the Navy. He went to school at the United States Naval Academy. In the Navy he worked on submarines.

Carter married Rosalynn Smith. In 1953 Carter's father died. Carter moved back to Plains. He took over the Carter farms. In the 1960s Carter's mother joined the **Peace Corps**. At 68 she went to India.



The Carters wanted to stop segregation. **Segregation** meant blacks could not be with whites. In the 1960s Carter voted to admit blacks to his church. Carter worked hard for **human rights**. Human rights mean all people are equal and are treated fairly.

- Graduated from Naval Academy in 1946
- Jimmy has four children
- Became Georgia's governor in 1971
- Elected President of United States in 1976
- Hosted the Camp David Accords in 1978

In 1962 he was elected to the Georgia Senate. He became Georgia's 76th governor in 1971. Carter was elected President of the United States in 1976.

The **Camp David Accords** were peace meetings in 1978. Egyptian President Anwar Sadat was there. Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin also attended. They were named the Camp

David Accords because they met at Camp David. Israel and Egypt had been fighting for a long time. They both wanted the same land. They both thought the land was theirs. Carter talked to one man at a time. He helped

both men to agree. The three men worked hard to come to peaceful agreements. Carter had to convince each man to work with the peace talks.

Carter and his wife work for **Habitat for Humanity**. This group helps needy people build homes.

On December 10, 2002 Mr. Carter was given the Nobel Peace prize. He received this award for his work with peace. He also received the prize for his help with economic problems.

Activities

Vocabulary:

1. Segregation
2. Peace Corps
3. Human Rights
4. Camp David Accords
5. Habitat for Humanity

Study Questions:

1. What was segregation? What did Jimmy Carter do to show he did not support segregation?
2. What happened at Camp David in 1978? What does this tell us about Carter's hope for peace?
3. How does Carter continue to help with others with Habitat for Humanity? What does this tell us about Jimmy Carter?
4. Jimmy Carter and his wife, Roslyn were both given the Presidential Medal of freedom. Use the following website to learn more about this award. Website:
http://www.medaloffreedom.com/Jimmy_RosalynnCarter.htm
5. Listen to Jimmy Carter's speeches and summarize his views on topics related to world peace.

Website: <http://www.history.com>

Read together:

Jimmy Carter: President and Peacemaker
(Twentieth Century Leaders)

by [Nancy Whitelaw](#) (Author)



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The Jimmy Carter Library

www.jimmycarterlibrary.org

Medal of Freedom Award

http://www.medaloffreedom.com/Jimmy_RosalynnCarter.htm

Technology Option

Read or watch streaming video of three experts on Jimmy Carter regarding the prize.

http://www.pbs.org/newshour/bb/international/july-dec02/nobel_10-11.html