

SAMPLE ANSWERS: The American Promise Viewing Guide

Directions: Use the video to answer the following questions.

WHO? Who are the individuals in the video?	WHAT? Explain what's happening in the video and what is being discussed.
President Lyndon Johnson, Congress	President Johnson is giving an address to a Joint Session of Congress imploring them to pass the Voting Rights Act
WHEN? When did this event take place?	WHY? Why are the events in the video happening?
March 15, 1965	Many barriers (i.e. poll taxes, literacy tests) still existed that prevented minority groups such as African Americans and Native Americans from exercising their right to vote.

SIGNIFICANCE?

How does President Johnson's request align with the foundational principles of the United States?

Answers may vary but should reference things such as: equality of mankind, liberties and rights to all, consent of the governed/popular sovereignty, "secure for themselves the full blessings of American life", etc.