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Experience provides the foundation upon which stones of emotional attitudes must rest. Each individual has their own path in life and this unique path provides the catalyst for change to occur in our lives. Martin Luther King Jr. had dreams to combat racial segregation and poverty. He had dreams to fight violence with peace. He had dreams to unite the country with compassion. However, dreams are only the first steps in achieving a change. We can dream and hope, yet nothing may change. King stood out for making his dreams a reality, something everyone should aspire towards. His experiences as a young adult contributed to his reality. King's mother taught him that differences didn't reflect a lack of superior qualities; not race, economic situation, nor any other difference that society deemed inferior could determine his self-worth. He was given the tools to recognize injustices occurring against people of color and those in poverty. His family's views inspired his dream, drive, and dedication to resolving these issues. Moreover, King believed in education and knowledge being the key to understanding the world. Education allowed him to develop his rhetoric, leadership skills, and vocalize messages about injustice. Education and family helped to grow his advocacy of peace, love, and empathy and simultaneously, his passionate fight against issues that needed rectification. King helped me believe in experiences and education inspiring change. Knowledge is an evergrowing wealth of information that never ceases to amaze, encouraging both problem-solving skills and creativity. I wish to educate more in my community and give them the tools to learn about issues greatly impacting our country: racial and gender discrimination. I believe that by educating myself and others in my community, we can create a united mindset. Creativity and unity in great numbers foster an environment that desires positive change and solutions that facilitate that change. There is never a shortage of great minds. Inside each individual lies a spark of light and ingenuity; there need only be an adequate environment for that spark to grow and develop, in order to create change. My dream is to see inequalities caused by differences in gender and racial factors, still persisting in our nation, put to rest. My dream is for everyone to be safe, without fear of differences being used against them. My dream is to celebrate and love the differences embodied in our country. My dreams mirror King's dreams: to create a world where equality is normalized. King inspires the belief that change is possible. Despite desolate circumstances, he showed our country the light. When times seem impossible, King's memory reminds us that the world needs one individual to spark a movement. One voice to create a chorus. One community to impact a nation. Obstacles cannot deter a sense of determination. We must work to change unacceptable circumstances. We must encourage change through dreams, creativity, and inspiration. King forever serves as an embodiment of the importance of one heart whose love and compassion induced an ever-burning fire of hope nationwide.