



## Age 6

Martin and the son of a white grocery store owner are **best friends**.



## Age 6

Martin and his best friend were forced to go to **different schools** because they had different skin colors.



## Age 6

Martin and his best friend were **not allowed to play together** because they had different skin colors.



**Age 15**

**Martin **won** the Colored  
Elks Clubs of Georgia  
essay contest.**



## Age 15

Martin and the other Black students were **forced to give up their bus seats** up to white bus riders on their way back to Atlanta.