



Civil Rights Scenarios

For each scenario, discuss:

- **What** is the civil rights problem?
- **Where** is it happening?
- **Whose** rights are being threatened?
- **How** might their rights be protected?

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A Muslim student, Amira, stays home from school one day to celebrate the holiday, Eid. Her teacher gives a big test on that day. Amira is given an F on the test and later gets a low grade for the class because she missed the test.

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A lesbian couple is planning their wedding. When they try to order a cake from their local bakery, the owner says he won't sell them a cake because he believes it is wrong to be gay.

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A Black man, Ron, responds to an ad for an apartment that he wants to rent for his family. When he shows up in person, the landlord says the apartment is no longer available. Ron later finds out the apartment was rented to a white family who applied a week later than he did.

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Lauri has a physical disability that requires her to be in a wheelchair. She is a top performer at her job and applies for a promotion to be a manager. Her boss denies her, saying that Lauri isn't a strong leader. She adds that the job is on the second floor and, since the building doesn't have an elevator, it wouldn't be possible anyway.