

SOAPS chart of MLK's "Letter from Birmingham Jail"

Subject	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why he is in Birmingham • Segregation as social justice • Civil disobedience as an instrument of freedom
Occasion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accusation of misuse of the law • Nonviolent protests in Birmingham • Disappointing leadership of the clergy
Audience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clergy • US Citizens • The World
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To defend himself and his organization • To bring the civil rights movement to national attention • To influence (or change) public policy
Speaker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • King the minister • King the civil rights leader • King the visionary