

## STAR Puzzle Strips —

**Prompt:** *Why is Rosa Parks considered a hero?*

### Activity Tips:

- Print on colored cardstock or label each strip with a STAR icon.
- Use in stations where students build a full STAR response step by step.
- Have students explain why each puzzle piece fits, revise weaker combinations, or write their own versions.

### Set Up (Topic Sentences)

Model Sentences
Rosa Parks is considered a hero because she stood up against unfair laws.
I believe Rosa Parks is an important figure in American history because she fought for civil rights.
It is important to learn about Rosa Parks because her actions helped change segregation.

### Sentence Frames for Support:

- I believe \_\_\_\_ because...
- \_\_\_\_ is a hero because...
- It is important to \_\_\_\_ because...

### Text Evidence (Quotes & Details)

Model Sentences
According to the article, “Her quiet defiance sparked one of the largest social movements in U.S. history.”
The text states, “She refused to give up her seat to a white passenger on a segregated bus.”
In paragraph 3, it says, “Rosa Parks’ bravery inspired many others to demand equal rights.”

### **Signal Phrase Starters:**

- According to the text...
- The author says...
- In paragraph \_\_\_\_, it says...
- One example is...

### **Analyze (Explaining the Evidence)**

Model Sentences
This shows that her actions helped spark change across the country.
This means Rosa Parks helped others believe in fairness and justice.
This proves how one person's courage can make a huge impact.

### **Sentence Starters:**

- This shows...
- This means...
- This proves...
- This helps us understand...

### **Restate (Wrap-Up Sentences)**

Model Sentences
In conclusion, Rosa Parks showed that standing up for equality can create real change.
So that's why Rosa Parks is remembered as a symbol of courage.
That's why I believe her actions made her a hero of the Civil Rights Movement.

### **Wrap-Up Starters:**

- In conclusion...
- That's why...
- So to sum it up...

<b>S- Set Up Model Sentences (Green)</b>
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<b>T- Text Evidence Model Sentences (Blue)</b>
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<b>A-Analyze Model Sentences (Green)</b>
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<b>R- Restate Model Sentences (Orange)</b>
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So that's why Rosa Parks is remembered as a symbol of courage.
That's why I believe her actions made her a hero of the Civil Rights Movement.

