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What Are Fair Voting Rights?

Voting Rights & Equality in North Carolina History

Part 1: Read and Analyze the Sources

Constitution/ Amendment	Who gained rights?	What equality added?	Why might this change have been controversial?
1868 NC Constitution			
19th Amendment (1920)			
1946 NC Constitutional Amendment			
26th Amendment (1971)			
"Double Voting" in Robeson County			

Part 2: Reflect & Discuss

1. What does "equal voting rights" mean to you?
2. How did war and protest movements influence changes in voting rights?
3. Which moment in history do you think was most important for making voting more fair—and why?
4. Do you think voting is a right, a responsibility, or both? Explain.
5. Should people be required to vote as in some countries? Why or why not?
6. What current debates about voting laws or rights are happening today? How do they compare to the past?