In 1964, Nelson Mandela was put in prison by the white rulers of South Africa because he said that black people should have the same rights as white people.

When he was finally released, Mandela went on to give many more speeches about equality.



- In 1940, during World War Two, the people of Britain were thinking that they could never win. Then, Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, made a famous speech which lifted the nation's hearts.
- Sixteen-year-old Malala Yousafzai was shot and nearly killed by terrorists in Pakistan in 2012. After that, she started speaking up about the rights of children all over the world to be free to learn, and not to live in fear.

A speech can change the course of history.

