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**Eyes on the Prize – Fighting Back – Little Rock Nine**

**Background:** The Little Rock Nine were a group of African-American students who went to school in an all-white school. Watch the section of “Eyes on the Prize – Fighting Back” and answers the following questions.

1. Why were citizens and individuals resistant to the Brown v. Board of Ed. Decision?

-People felt segregation was supported by the bible. God segregated people and so people can segregate people

-Southern politicians said that segregation was supported by the average people and that mattered more than the Supreme Court

-They felt personally offended by the idea of white girls and boys going to school with African Americans

-Southerners felt that it was an attack on their heritage and tradition

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1. What strategies did the Little Rock Nine use to succeed when faced with discrimination?

**-**They were defended by the NAACP

-Thurgood Marshall argued that change had been too gradual since the end of the Civil War

-Thurgood Marshall argued that the president had to intervene in Little Rock

-The sending in of the US army was what allowed students to get into the school and stay there

-They stayed in a group to protect themselves

-They used the help of whites when available