

**PRE-VISIT ACTIVITY****Biography**

Andrew Young was a top aide to Martin Luther King, Jr. and was active in the inception of the Civil Rights Movement as the executive director and then as the Vice-President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. He served three terms in the US Congress from the 5th district of Georgia. In 1977, President Jimmy Carter named him Ambassador to the United Nations. He served two terms as Mayor of Atlanta.

What is Mr. Young's profession? (circle your answer or answers)

- A. Politician
- B. Business professional
- C. Activist
- D. Musician

Answers:

A & C – Mr. Young worked both as a Politician and Activist.

Vocabulary

Congressman: A member of the U.S. House of Representatives

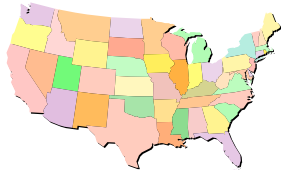
Activist: A person who practices direct action to effect changes in social conditions and governments.

Name two people (aside from Mr. Lewis) who are **Congressmen**. Can you name our district's representative to Congress?

Name two people (aside from Mr. Young) who are **Activists**:



1.



2.



3.



4.

Can you identify the images above?

1. _____ 3. _____
2. _____ 4. _____

Answers:

1. World Map 2. United States of America 3. Georgia 4. Georgia State flag

**POST-VISIT ACTIVITY**

The forerunner of the United Nations was the League of Nations, an organization conceived in similar circumstances during the first World War, and established in 1919 under the Treaty of Versailles "to promote international cooperation and to achieve peace and security." The League of Nations ceased its activities after failing to prevent the Second World War. In 1945, representatives of 50 countries met in San Francisco at the United Nations Conference on International Organization to draw up the United Nations Charter. Originally it was composed largely of the Allies of World War II, mainly European countries, Commonwealth countries, and nations of the Americas. It was conceived as an organization of "peace-loving" nations, who were combining to prevent future aggression and for other humanitarian purposes. Close cooperation among members was expected; the Security Council especially was expected to work in relative unanimity. Hopes for essential accord were soon dashed by the frictions of the cold war, which affected the functioning of the Security Council and other UN organs. Beginning in the 1990s, the UN was increasingly involved in



peacekeeping efforts throughout the world. The United Nations currently has 191 member nations.

During his term as Ambassador to the United Nations, Andrew Young was consistently an advocate of developing countries, particularly those in Africa.

Do you know who is currently the Secretary-General of the United Nations?

The Security Council is the most powerful organ of the UN. It is made up of five permanent member states. The General Assembly elects ten other countries to two-year terms according to regional groupings. Which five countries have permanent seats? Use an encyclopedia to find out if you're not sure.

Can you name any UN humanitarian programs or recent peacekeeping missions?
