



## What JFK Means to Me



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John Fitzgerald Kennedy was the 35<sup>th</sup> president of the United States and was born on May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1917 in Brookline, Massachusetts. JFK was a very successful and peaceful president because of how he solved the problems he faced.

One of the reasons that President Kennedy was important is because he wanted people in other countries to have peace and better schools, hospitals, and farms. This is why he started the Peace Corps. I think that was a very important thing to do because if he didn't, people in some other countries wouldn't be educated or could get really sick or starve.

Another example of his success was that when the Soviet Union put nuclear weapons in Cuba, John F. Kennedy stayed calm and put the Navy around Cuba so that the Soviet Union could not bring more weapons. Then Russia took the missiles out of Cuba and President Kennedy, and the leaders of Russia and England made an agreement not to test nuclear weapons in space, on land, or in the ocean. JFK helped make this treaty happen. If he didn't stop the Soviet Union from putting nuclear weapons in Cuba, the world could have ended by now.

Last but not least, John F. Kennedy wanted to end segregation. He said that black people still didn't have the freedom that white people did. To end segregation, he made the Civil Rights Bill. After the president's death, the bill was passed. If he hadn't done this, segregation might still be happening.

This part of JFK's life really meant something to me because if he didn't make these changes, segregation might still be happening, and the world could have been over because of nuclear weapons. All of these problems might still be happening if it wasn't for the success and peace of John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

