

Q1. What is Black power? How did the African-American Athletes symbolise black power & black poverty, what are the 2 bases of social differences?

A → A movement in support of rights and political power for black people, especially prominent in the US in the 1960s and 1970s.

* In the 1968 Olympics held in Mexico City, 2 US African-American athletes named Tommie Smith and John Carlos won gold & bronze medals respectively. During the medal ceremony, they stood with clenched fists raised & heads bowed when the national anthem was being played. They also wore black socks & no shoes and to show the stark poverty among the black community. With this gesture, they tried to draw international attention to racial discrimination in the U.S. The black-gloved & raised clenched fists were meant to symbolise Black power.

* The 2 bases are :-

- (i) On the basis of accident of Birth.
- (ii) On the basis of our choices.

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Q2. Name the leader of civil Rights Movement in USA.

A → Martin Luther King Jr.