



## ANSWERS

**What was it?** Apartheid was a South African system of segregation based on race and skin color. Apartheid made it illegal for white and black people to live or work together. Although the majority of the South African population was black, according to Apartheid, the white minority were in charge of the country and its laws.

**Key People/Organizations:** The National Party, African National Congress (ANC), Nelson Mandela, Hector Pieterson, Frederik Willem de Klerk

**Key Events:** The National Party wins the election in 1948 and implements Apartheid, Sharpsville Massacre in 1960, Nelson Mandela is arrested and imprisoned in 1962, In 1974, South Africa is expelled from the U.N. because of Apartheid. Soweto Uprising in 1976, the president of South Africa, Frederik Willem de Klerk, repealed what was left of apartheid and called for a new constitution in 1994.

**How did it end?** International economic sanctions increased pressure on South Africa which was still experiencing protests