**COURSE TITLE PSYCHOLOGY**

 *PSYCHOLOGY TRANSITION TASK*

***How have nonconformists contributed to* society?**

THINK ABOUT IT!

What makes a person a nonconformist? People considered nonconformists have also been labelled mavericks, rebels, originals, and eccentrics – they are known for **going against the grain** and **being themselves without apology**.

Your task is to research **one individual** who has fought for their beliefs, attempted to change the rules of society, or has simply lived in a way that was considered strange or unique.

You may choose from the list below or choose a different person.

**NOTE:** Some nonconformists that students have proposed, as an alternative to the list provided, have been Eminem, Jesus, and Bob Marley, among others.

**Suggested Nonconformists**:

[](http://content.blackgold.ca/ict/AISI/DivIII/Grade8/G8LanguageArts/G8LanguageArts.html)

Martin Luther King Jr.

Emily Pankhurst

Rosa Parks

Mahatma Ghandi

Nelson Mandela

Rachel Carson

Produce a hand-written research report (format of your choice) which must address the following questions:

* What brief background information will help describe their context?
* Why did he/she decide to rebel against mainstream society?
* Look up and define these terms snowball effect, zeitgeist and social

Crypto-amnesia

* Can you identify any of the above processes in your chosen area of

research.

The report should be between 250-300 words (approx. 1-1/2 sides of A4 margined paper).