

# SO YOU WANT A REVOLUTION?

## Purpose

This lesson will have you really digging into revolution. For this quick opening activity, you'll choose something in your life or in your local, regional, national, or global community that you would like to see changed. Using the lyrics from a revolution-related or protest song, you will think through the changes you'd like to see, why you would like to see them, and the actions you might take to make those changes happen. This should help you apply lessons learned from history to issues that exist today, which will help make this history more usable.

## Process

There have been famous songs throughout human history that have called for revolution or change. Your teacher is going to share one of these songs with you. Your job is to think about the call to action that the song is suggesting, and then think about something in your life today for which you would like to see immediate change. Using the song lyrics to guide you, your teacher will have you consider how you might make this change. The following questions should help guide your thinking:

- What kind of change do you want to see?
- Why do you want to see the change?
- How will you make this change happen (for example, via peaceful protests or civil disobedience)?

Be prepared to present your ideas about the change you want to see and how you would make those changes happen. In this lesson, you are going to learn a ton about revolutions—what causes them, what the consequences of revolutions are, and so on. You should think about the revolution or change you want to see today as you consider other revolutions in history...perhaps it will spark some ideas for how you can promote positive change in the world!