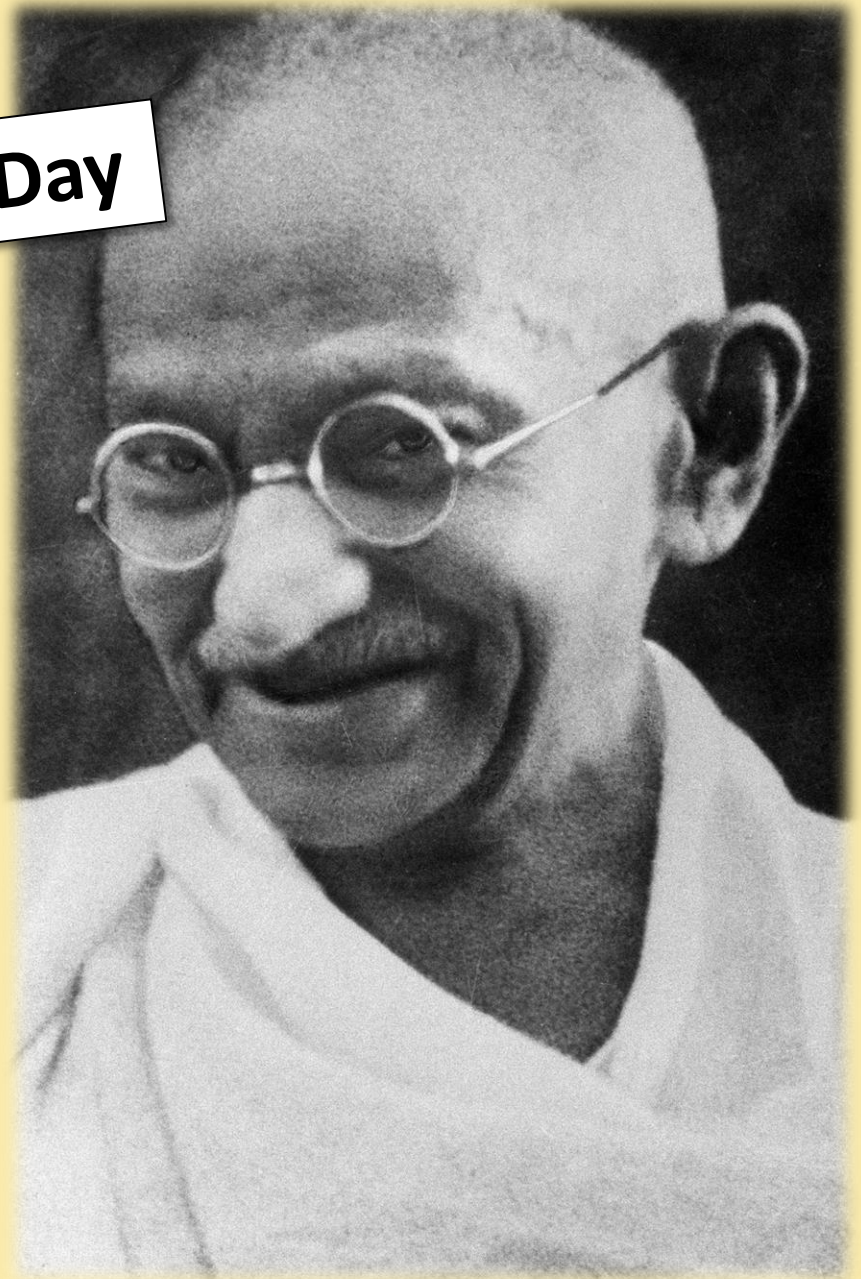


International Nonviolence Day

2nd October

**Birthday of
Mohandas K.
Gandhi**







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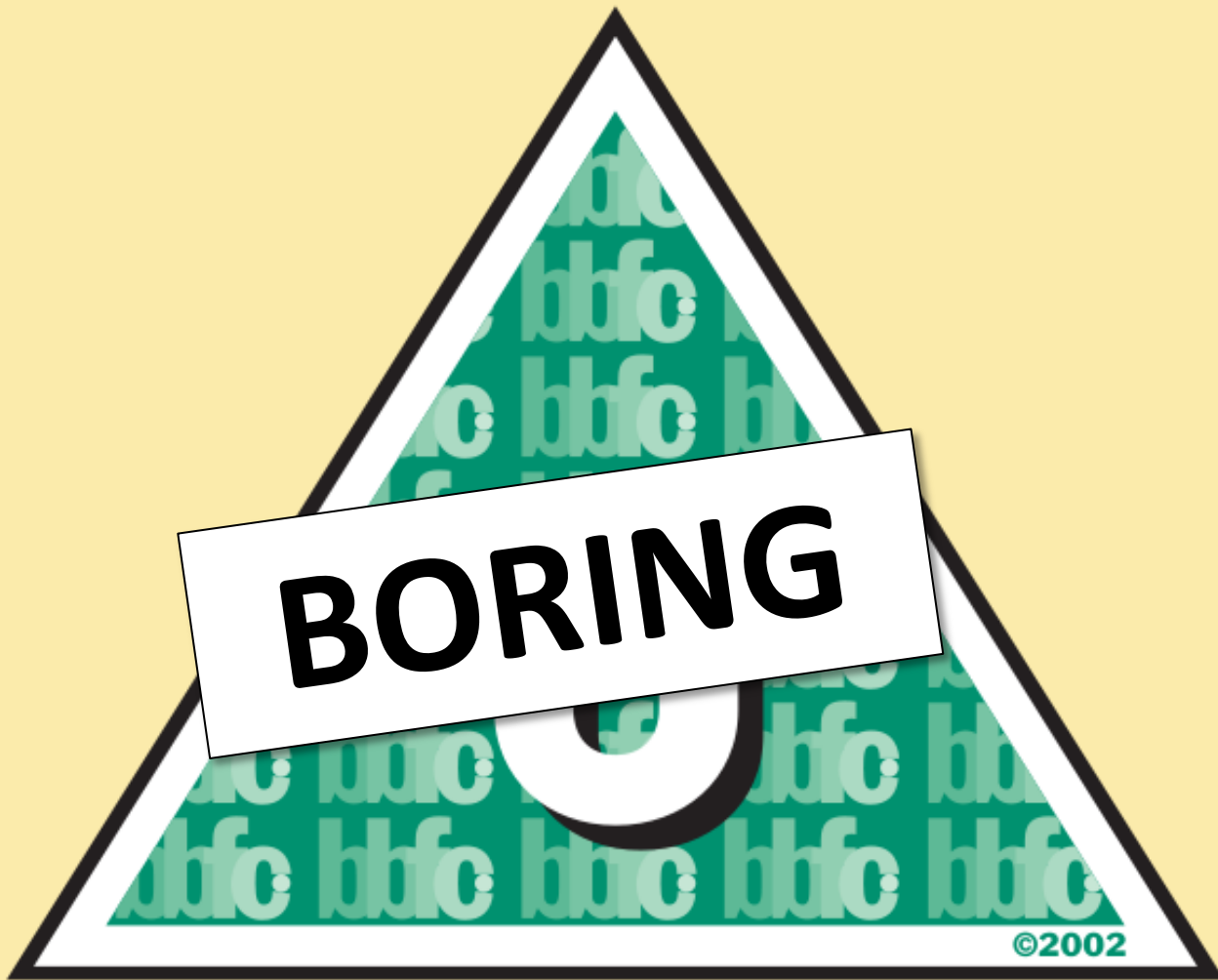
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noun: **violence**

Behaviour involving physical force intended to hurt, damage, or kill someone or something.

'There are many causes that I am prepared to die for but no causes that I am prepared to kill for.'

- M.K. Gandhi



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Nonviolence?



Protest

- A public expression of disapproval or objection to something.
- Making your voice heard when you think things aren't fair.
- Standing up for a cause; showing unity with others who feel the same as you.

The Human Rights Act – Article 11

- Everyone has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly. This is a right closely linked to the right to freedom of expression.
- It provides a means for public expression and is one of the foundations of a democratic society.
- The right applies to protest marches and demonstrations, press conferences, public and private meetings, counter-demonstrations, ‘sit-ins’, motionless protests etc.
- **The right only applies to peaceful gatherings and does not protect intentionally violent protest.**

'An eye for an eye ends up making the whole world blind.'
- M. K. Gandhi

Non-violence is the greatest force at the disposal of mankind. It is mightier than the mightiest weapon of destruction devised by the ingenuity of man".

- India's Minister of State for External Affairs, Mr. Anand Sharma

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The Occupy Movement

- A **nonviolent** protest movement, which started in the USA in September 2011.
- By 9 October, Occupy protests had taken place or were ongoing in over 951 cities across 82 countries.
- By October 2012 there had been Occupy protests and occupations in dozens of other countries across every continent except Antarctica.
- The movement protests against social and economic inequality around the world.



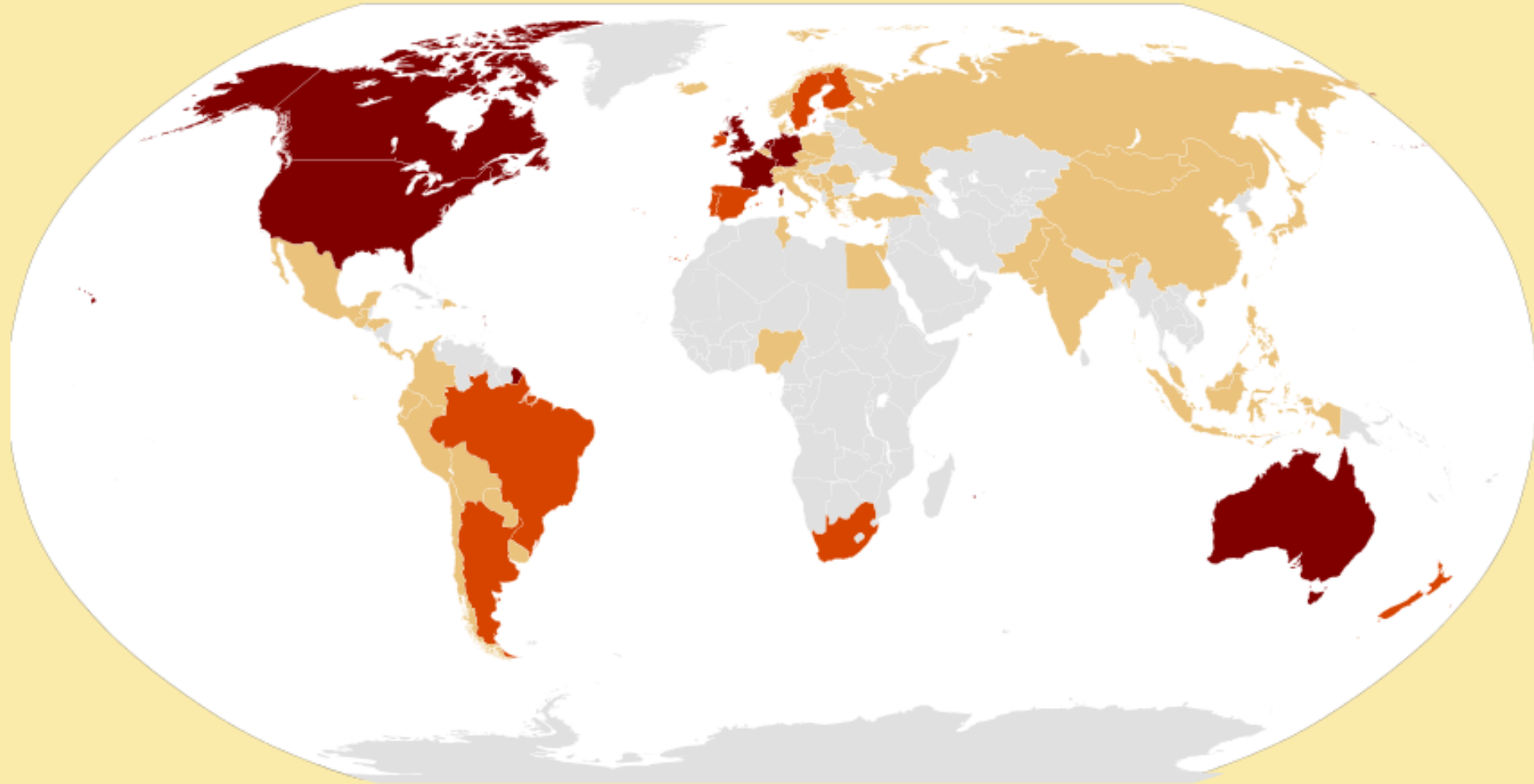






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Occupy protests around the world



[CNN link](#)

- Nonviolent movements are **twice as likely** to succeed as violent movements.
- Nonviolent movements often significantly **increase** the chances of a more peaceful and democratic government emerging in the aftermath.
- There's good reason for the success of nonviolent movements. That's because they're "more likely than armed struggle to attract a **larger and more diverse base of participants and impose unsustainable costs on a regime.**"

Things to take away

- Nonviolent demonstration is the most effective method of protest and can bring about real social change.
- You have a human **right** to protest peacefully as long as this does not impede the human rights of others.

'Be the change you wish to see in the world'

- M. K. Gandhi



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