Introduction to Plagiarism

Assessment Worksheet

Please read: Faith Karimi's <u>Nelson Mandela, anti-apartheid icon and father of modern South Africa, dies</u> Now read this paragraph and answer the questions below:

Nelson Mandela, former president of South Africa and symbol to the South African People of the struggle against racial oppression has died at the age of 95. In his lifetime, he was a man of complexities. He went from a fighter to a prisoner and after 27 years in prison he went on to become president. He is considered the nation's conscience, and even the president of the U.S., Barack Obama, went on to say "We've lost one of the most influential, courageous and profoundly good human beings that any of us will share time with on this earth." He will be greatly missed by those you embody his promise and idealism.

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