I was interested in learning about the integration in schools, as we briefly spoke about it in my elementary school, but I have always found it interesting. As I watched I was surprised how much I learned, and I appreciated that the students of the "Little Rock Nine" were able to give some first handed accounts in the video. Those students were extremely brave to be the first to integrate the school. I read up on them after I watched the video, and was glad to see that they were later honored for this. It must have taken a lot of courage to do this, especially with so many people rooting against them, and I have so much respect for those students.

I was somewhat surprised to hear the accounts of the students who said that since it was the law, they didn't mind going to school with the "Little Rock Nine," and that it was mainly their parents who felt this way. I think that's interesting, and makes a lot of sense, as it seemed to be mainly parents who were waiting outside in the mob. However, there were still students who were being cruel to the "Little Rock Nine" inside of the school. I have a hard time grasping the fact that some of these parents and students did not want everyone to have the same opportunities. I am happy that in today's society, it is seen that everybody is equal.

I also was able to realize how much conflict there was between the state government and the federal government. I don't remember learning about all of this conflict between the two governments, and was interested in seeing how all of the conflicts played out. I was honestly surprised that it took the president so long before he actually stepped in, and it was curious to see how things played

out. It was also to see the students' reactions to the army members and marshalls being at the schools, and how they felt about it.

When they started talking about integration at the university level, it made me wonder about when MIT became integrated, or if it always has been integrated. I know that this school makes sure to have diversity on campus, but I am interested to see whether it has always been like this, or if this was changed during the Civil Rights Movement. I think that it would be interesting to read up on this, and would like to do this

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