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Essay Title:

Love is stronger than a fence

**Prompt:** Jacqueline Woodson's book, *The Other Side*, is about two girls, Clover and Annie, who become friends. The story is set at a time before Martin Luther King and the Civil Rights Movement brought changes to the South. In the story, what made it hard for Annie and Clover to be friends? Why do you think Clover wanted to be Annie's friend? Why is there a tall fence in the story and how do you feel about it?

Segregation makes me sad. I think Martin Luther King is great because he helped take it away. It was hard for Annie & Clover to be friends because Annie was white and Clover was black. Clover wanted to be friends with Annie because Annie and Clover were neighbors who saw each other all of the time. The tall fence was built to segregate black people and white people. The fence makes me feel like some things in the world make it hard for friends to be friends, but love is stronger than a fence.