**Drum Major Instinct**

View this music video of Martin Luther King, Jr.’s final sermon in which he establishes the *Drum Major Instinct*: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LRFzBBrRJFk>. The video was produced during the late-2000s. Dr. King delivered this sermon exactly two prior to his assassination, and eerily provides his own eulogy. There are three *First Amendment* freedoms present in his sermon: freedom of expression, freedom of religion, and freedom of assembly. Answer the questions below after viewing the video.

1. Who was Martin Luther King, Jr.’s intended audience for this sermon / speech?
2. What is the *Drum Major Instinct*? Explain.
3. This speech is critical of U.S. military intervention in Vietnam (but it is still relevant today). Do you think King’s critique is anti-patriotic? Explain.
4. What do you think King’s perspective would be on critical issues in the current *culture war* (i.e immigration, same sex marriage, Iran, COVID 19, etc.)? Explain.
5. How would King define the principle of being a *“Drum Major for Justice”*? Explain.
6. How does the American ideal of freedom of expression enhance society and facilitate change? Explain.