

Resources on Race and Racism in America

History educators from Littleton Public Schools compiled articles, books, and videos that provide information on the history of race and racism in America. This document provides valuable resources where students and families can further learn of the history that has preceded current events.

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New York Times recent articles on race and the recent protests

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/06/03/learning/lesson-plans/teaching-ideas-and-resources-to-help-students-make-sense-of-the-george-floyd-protests.html>.

The 1619 Project:

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/02/12/magazine/1619-project-slave-auction-sites.html>

Time Magazine: Unchained Memories: Readings from the Slave Narratives (also an HBO film of the same name)

<http://content.time.com/time/classroom/unchained/pdfs/student.pdf>

Facing History and Ourselves - <https://www.facinghistory.org/> - multiple articles and readings on race, identity, prejudice

Videos:

Remembering the Legacy of Civil Right Activist John Lewis. Videos made available by WGBH and PBS LearningMedia.

[The March on Washington / John Lewis: Get in the Way](#)

[Education Guide / John Lewis: Get in the Way](#)

[Freedom Riders: American Experience](#)

[John Lewis' Speech: The March](#)

[Civil Rights Activist John Lewis: Looking Back](#)

Teaching Tolerance - *Teaching the Hard History: American Slavery* for grades K-5 and 6-12 - 10 short videos provide the Key Concepts of the foundation of race and racism in America, in addition to other materials

<https://www.tolerance.org/frameworks/teaching-hard-history/american-slavery/6-12-framework>

Race: The Power of an Illusion is a 3-part film produced by California Newsreel. Part 1: The Difference Between Us, Part 2: The Story We Tell, Part 3: The House We Live In, plus other materials

<https://www.facinghistory.org/books-borrowing/race-power-illusion>

<http://newsreel.org/video/race-the-power-of-an-illusion>

Historian Eric Foner speaks on his book *Reconstruction: America's Unfinished Revolution* at the Library of America in 2018

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=49McwjKZmlw>

Slavery and the Making of America - 4-part PBS series, originally broadcast in 2005

<https://topdocumentaryfilms.com/slavery-making-of-america/>

Traces of the Trade: A Story from the Deep North - Documentary created by Katrina Browne who discovers her family from Bristol, RI were the largest slave-trading family in US history

<http://www.tracesofthetrade.org/>

Books to Read:

All of the children and YA books on the link below are or will be available through the Reuben Hoar Library by the end of June 2020.

<https://blog.usejournal.com/31-childrens-books-to-support-conversations-on-race-racism-and-resistance-9dbabc28360e>

Stamped from the Beginning, by Dr. Ibram X. Kendi

How to be an Antiracist, by Dr. Ibram X. Kendi

The Half Has Never Been Told: Slavery and the Making of American Capitalism, by Edward E. Baptist

Race and Reunion: The Civil War in American Memory, by David W. Blight

Ebony and Ivy: Race, Slavery, and the Troubled History of America's Universities, by Craig Steven Wilder

The History of White People, by Nell Irvin Painter

Many Thousands Gone: The First Two Centuries of Slavery in North America, by Ira Berlin

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness, by Michelle Alexander