

SOCIAL JUSTICE TOOLKIT

Your starter kit for tools, resources, and tips for essential social justice topics

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TALKING ABOUT BLACKNESS IN AMERICA

Developing Common Language:

[Race and Racism](#)

([Intergroup Resources](#))

["Black in America: It's Not Just About the Color of Your Skin"](#)

Author: [Moni Basu](#) ([CNN "In America" series](#))

Quick Reads to Get You Started:

["Henry Louis Gates Jr.: Restoring Black History"](#)

Author: [Henry Louis Gates Jr.](#) ([New York Times](#))

["10 Things You Can Do To Help Black Lives Matter End Police Violence"](#)

Author: [Lincoln Blades](#) ([teenVOGUE](#))

["Black Identity and America's Lingering Racism"](#)

Author: Gail Bambrick

["Being African American & LGBTQ: An Introduction"](#)

([Human Rights Campaign](#))

["It's the Blackness that scares everybody': Why white people favor 'African-Americans'"](#)

Author: [Brittney Cooper](#) ([Salon](#))

["I'm Black but I'm Uncomfortable Around Black People"](#) (Use of controversial language)

Author: [Danielle Small](#) ([Salon](#))

["The Problem"](#)

([Campaign Zero](#))

["The Top 4 Myths About the Black Lives Matter Movement - Debunked"](#)

Author: [Franchesca Ramsey](#) ([Everyday Feminism](#))

["Melissa Harris-Perry on Expanding the Definition of Blackness"](#)

Author: [Damon L. Jacobs](#) ([Plus](#))

["Ta-Nehisi Coates and a Generation Waking Up"](#)

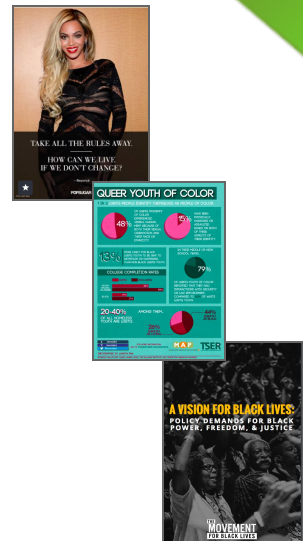
Author: [Brit Bennett](#) ([The New Yorker](#))

["21 Racial Microaggressions You Hear On A Daily Basis"](#)

Author: [Heben Nigatu](#) ([BuzzFeed](#))

Educational Videos to Stimulate Your Mind:

- ["#RaceAnd: Lady Dane Figueroa Edidi"](#) (4:18) ([Race Forward](#))
- ["It Got Better Featuring Janet Mock"](#) (8:36) ([Janet Mock](#)) ([L/Studio](#))
- ["We Need to Talk About an Injustice"](#) (23:41) ([Bryan Stevenson](#))
- ["Why Are We Still Talking About Racism?"](#) (4:30) ([A+](#))
- ["Being Black in America"](#) (3:59) ([dylan t.](#))



Organizations to Support:

- [Trans Women of Color Collective](#)
- [The Movement for Black Lives](#)
- [Campaign Zero](#)
- [Create Her Stock](#)
- [Free Black Dirt](#)
- [Because of Them We Can](#)

Educational Downloadables to Decorate Your Space:

- ["15 Inspirational Quotes to Commemorate Black History Month"](#) ([PopSugar.](#))
- [Queer Youth of Color](#) ([Trans Student Educational Resources](#))
- [A Vision for Black Lives](#) ([The Movement for Black Lives](#))

Awesome Sources to Stay Engaged in the Topic:

- [National Black Justice Coalition](#)
- [Black Girl Dangerous](#) Twitter: [BGD](#)
- [Race Forward](#)
- [Colorlines](#)

Tips for Allies:

- ["12 Ways to be an Ally to Black People"](#)
Author: [Janée Woods](#) ([The Root](#))
- ["5 Initial Ways You Can be a Better Ally to People of Color"](#)
Author: [SaVonne Anderson](#) ([Mashable](#))
- ["So You Call Yourself an Ally: 10 Things All 'Allies' Need to Know"](#)
Author: [Jamie Utt](#) ([Everyday Feminism](#))

Tools for Allies:

- [Racial Equity Tools Glossary](#) ([Racial Equity Tools](#))
- ["Your Guide On How to Support Black People After Incidents of Police Violence"](#)
Author: [Alan Pelaez Lopez](#) ([Everyday Feminism](#))
- ["Healing from the Effects of Internalized Oppression"](#) ([Community Tool Box](#))
- ["A History of Racial Injustice Timeline"](#) ([Equal Justice Initiative](#))
- [Examples of Racial Microaggressions](#) ([University of Minnesota](#))
- ["What is Systemic Racism?"](#) video series ([Race Forward](#))
- ["Black Millennials Library"](#) ([Black Millennials](#))