

“I don’t know where to start!”

An Antiracist Reading List from the Brookings Public Library

Antiracism 101

- ***The Conversation: How Seeking and Speaking the Truth About Racism Can Radically Transform Individuals and Organizations* by Robert W. Livingston-** Adult Nonfiction (305.8 LIV)
- ***How to Be an Antiracist* by Ibram X. Kendi-** Adult Nonfiction (305.8 KEN), Book Bag #155, Book on CD, eBook, eAudiobook
- ***Me and White Supremacy* by Layla F Saad-** Book on CD, eAudiobook
- ***Nice racism: how progressive White people perpetuate racial harm* by Robin DiAngelo-** Adult Nonfiction (305.8 DIA)
- ***So you Want to Talk About Race* by Ijeoma Oluo-** Book Bag #156
- ***White fragility: Why it's so hard for white people to talk about racism* by Robin DiAngelo-** Adult Nonfiction (305.8 DIA), Book Bag #49, eBook, eAudiobook

Black Experience

- ***Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehesi Coates-** Adult Nonfiction (305.8 COA), Book Bag #169, Book on CD, Large Print, eBook, eAudiobook
- ***The fire this time: a new generation speaks about race-*** Adult Nonfiction (305.896 FIR)
- ***Heavy: an American memoir* by Kiese Laymon-** Adult Nonfiction (305.896 LAY)
- ***I know why the caged bird sings* by Maya Angelou-** Adult Nonfiction (921 ANG), eBook, eAudiobook
- ***The Source of Self-Regard: Selected Essays, Speeches, and Meditations* by Toni Morrison-** Adult Nonfiction (814.6 MOR)

Criminal Justice System

- ***Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson-** Adult Nonfiction (921 STE), Book Bag #150, eBook, eAudiobook, Book on CD
- ***A Knock at Midnight: a Story of Hope, Justice, and Freedom* by Brittany K. Barnett-** Adult Nonfiction (340.092 BAR)
- ***Locking up our own: crime and punishment in Black America* by James Forman-** Adult Nonfiction (364.973 FOR)

- ***The new Jim Crow: Mass incarceration in the age of colorblindness* by Michelle Alexander**- Adult Nonfiction (364.973 ALE), Book Bag #157, eBook, eAudiobook

Discrimination and Division

- ***Caste: the origins of our discontents* by Isabel Wilkerson**- Adult Nonfiction (305.5122 WIL), Book on CD, Large Print, eBook, eAudiobook
- ***The color of law: a forgotten history of how our government segregated America* by Richard Rothstein**- Adult Nonfiction (305.8 ROT), eBook
- ***One person, no vote: how voter suppression is destroying our democracy* by Carol Anderson**- Adult Nonfiction (324.62 AND)
- ***White rage: the unspoken truth of our racial divide* by Carol Anderson**- Adult Nonfiction (305.8 AND)

Psychology/Sociology of Racism, Bias

- ***The Person You Mean to Be: How Good People Fight Bias* by Dolly Chugh**- Adult Nonfiction (303.385 CHU), Book on CD, Book Bag #34
- ***The sum of us: what racism costs everyone and how we can prosper together* by Heather McGhee**- Adult Nonfiction (305.8 MCG)
- ***"Why are all the Black kids sitting together in the cafeteria?" and other conversations about race* by Beverly Daniel Tatum**- Adult Nonfiction (305.8 TAT), eBook

History

- ***The 1619 project: A new origin story* by Nikole Hannah-Jones**- Adult Nonfiction (973 HAN), eBook, eAudiobook
- ***Four Hundred Souls: a Community History of African America, 1619-2019* edited by Ibram Z. Kendi and Keisha N. Blain**- Adult Nonfiction (973.0496 FOU)
- ***The half has never been told: slavery and the making of American capitalism* by Edward E. Baptist**- Adult Nonfiction (306.362 BAP)
- ***Stamped from the Beginning: The definitive history of racist ideas in America* by Ibram X. Kendi**- Adult Nonfiction (305.8 KEN), eBook
- ***The warmth of other suns: the epic story of America's great migration* by Isabel Wilkerson**- Adult Nonfiction (304.8 WIL), eBook

Teen and Middle School

- ***African Icons: Ten People Who Shaped History*** by Tracey Baptiste- Young Adult Nonfiction (960.099 BAP)
- ***Allies: real talk about showing up, screwing up, and trying again***- Young Adult Nonfiction (305 ALL)
- ***Just Mercy*** by Bryan Stevenson- Young Adult Nonfiction (340.092 STE)
- ***Stamped: racism, antiracism, and you*** by Jason Reynolds- Young Adult Nonfiction (305.8 REY), eBook
- ***March (Graphic Novel Series)*** by John Lewis- Young Adult Nonfiction (741.5 MAR)
- ***Me and white supremacy*** by Layla Saad- Young Adult Nonfiction (305.8 SAA)
- ***This book is anti-racist*** by Tiffany Jewell- Kids Nonfiction (305.8 JEW)
- ***We are Not Broken*** by George M. Johnson- Young Adult Nonfiction (306.76 JOH)

Children's

- ***The 1619 project: Born on the water*** by Nikole Hannah-Jones- eBook
- ***Antiracist baby*** by Ibram X. Kendi- eBook
- ***Black Boy Joy*** edited by Kwame Mbalia- Kids Fiction (BLA)
- ***Black is a Rainbow Color*** by Angela Joy- Picture and Easy Books (E JOY)
- ***Crown*** by Derrick Barnes- Picture and Easy Books (E BAR)
- ***Hair Love*** by Matthew A. Cherry- Picture and Easy Books (E CHE)
- ***Harlem Stomp!: A Cultural History of the Harlem Renaissance*** by Laban Carrick Hill- Kids Nonfiction (810.9 HIL)
- ***I, Too, Am America*** by Langston Hughes- Kids Nonfiction (811.52 HUG)
- ***Let's talk about race*** by Lester Julius- Kids Nonfiction (305.8 LES)
- ***Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History*** by Vashti Harrison- Kids Nonfiction (923.23 HAR)
- ***Little Legends: Exceptional Men in Black History*** by Vashti Harrison- Kids Nonfiction (923.23 HAR)
- ***Something happened in our town: a child's story about racial injustice*** by Marianne Celano- Kids Nonfiction (305.8 CEL)
- ***Stamped (for kids): racism, antiracism, and you*** by Sonja Cherry-Paul- Kids Nonfiction (305.8 CHE)
- ***Sulwe*** by Lupita Nyong'o- Picture and Easy Books (E NYO)
- ***We rise, we resist, we raise our voices***- Kids Nonfiction (303.4 WE)

Articles (sources from Harvard Kennedy School Racial Justice, Racial Equity, and Anti-Racism Reading List)

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- **Coates, Ta-Nehisi. (2014). The Case for Reparations. *The Atlantic*.**
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- **McIntosh, Peggy. (1989). White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack. *Peace and Freedom*.**
- **Serwer, Adam. (2020). The Coronavirus Was an Emergency Until Trump Found Out Who Was Dying. *The Atlantic*.**
- **Abdul-Jabbar, Kareem. (2020). Don't Understand the Protests? What You're Seeing is People Pushed to the Edge. *Los Angeles Times*.**
- **Hinton, Elizabeth. (2020). The Minneapolis Uprising in Context. *Boston Review*.**

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- **Hannah-Jones, Nikole. 1619. *The New York Times*.**
- **Muhammad, Khalil Gibran and Ben Austen. Some of My Best Friends Are. *Pushkin*.**
- **Carroll, Rebecca. Come Through with Rebecca Carroll. *WNYC Studios*.**
- **Biewen, John. Seeing White. *Scene On Radio*.**
- **Raghuveera, Nikhil and Erica Licht. Untying Knots. *SoundCloud*.**
- **Moyo, Thoko. A historic crossroads for systemic racism and policing in America. *PolicyCast*. Featuring Khalil Gibran Muhammad and Erica Chenoweth.**