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Articles and essays

How to Be An Ally to Black People by Trevor Jenkins <https://www.activecampaign.com/blog/how-to-be-an-ally>

How to Talk to Your White Family About Racism
<https://www.msn.com/en-us/lifestyle/newsfeature/how-to-talk-to-your-white-family-about-racism/ar-BB14VHlj?ocid=se>

Peggy McIntosh's White Privilege Papers
<https://nationalseedproject.org/Key-SEED-Texts/peggy-mcintosh-s-white-privilege-papers>

The Case for Reparations by Ta-Nehisi Coates
<https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2014/06/the-case-for-reparations/361631/>

You Want A Confederate Monument? My Body Is a Confederate Monument by Caroline Randell Williams
<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/06/26/opinion/confederate-monuments-racism.html>

Books

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates
A letter to Coates' son about what it means to be black in America.

Black Looks: Race and Representation by bell hooks
A book of essays where hooks argues for alternative ways to look at blackness and whiteness.

How to Be an Antiracist by Ibram X. Kendi
Kendi offers his perspective on racism and offers ways to support antiracist individual actions and changes.

I'm Still Here by Austin Channing Brown
A memoir focusing on one woman's experience growing up in a racialized America illuminating how white, middle-class Evangelicalism has contributed to the rising racial hostility.

The Bluest Eye by Toni Morrison
A beautiful work of fiction, Pecola is a young African-American child during the Great Depression who develops an inferiority complex that fuels her desire for blue eyes, which she sees as being white and all that comes with it.

The Fire Next Time by James Baldwin
Baldwin looks at race and religion in the two essays of which this novel is comprised.

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness by Michelle Alexander
Alexander, a civil rights litigator and legal scholar, outlines issues related to African American males and mass incarceration.

We Were Eight Years In Power: An American Tragedy by Ta-Nehisi Coates
A book of essays published over the course of the Obama administration focusing on race and race relations.

For more books

Brain Lair Books

An anti-racist reading list where proceeds from orders go to a black female-owned independent shop

<https://bookshop.org/lists/this-list-is-anti-racist?fbclid=IwAR0a43NDXJ-qqTkO9rGSX59A2I70o0WetudA4vOUHomt2jQ8DJG9z1Gh3kM>

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Podcasts

All of My Relations

All My Relations is a team of folks who care about representations, and how Native peoples are represented in mainstream media. Between us we have decades of experience working in and with Native communities, and writing and speaking about issues of representation. <https://www.allmyrelationspodcast.com/>

Code Switch

Hosted by Shareen Marisol Meraji and Gene Demby, and produced by NPR, this describes itself as a “multi-racial, multi-generational team of journalists fascinated by the overlapping themes of race, ethnicity and culture, how they play out in our lives and communities, and how all of this is shifting.”

<https://www.npr.org/sections/codeswitch/>

Intersectionality Matters!

This podcast is hosted by Kimberlé Crenshaw, an American civil rights advocate and a leading scholar of critical race theory. <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/intersectionality-matters/id1441348908>

Momentum: A Race Forward Podcast

Momentum: A Race Forward Podcast features movement voices, stories, and strategies for racial justice.

<https://www.raceforward.org/media/podcast/momentum-race-forward-podcast>

Pod Save the People

On *Pod Save the People*, DeRay Mckesson explores news, culture, social justice, and politics with Sam Sinyangwe, Kaya Henderson and De’Ara Balenger. They offer a unique take on the news, with a special focus on overlooked stories and topics that often impact people of color.

<https://crooked.com/podcast-series/pod-save-the-people/>

Teaching While White

This podcast focuses on race and the education system and what actions antiracist educators are taking to challenge how our kids are treated and taught. <https://teachingwhilewhite.org/podcast>

Podcast Episodes

Episode 333 on The Ezra Klein Show: *Why Ta-Nehisi Coates is hopeful*

A thought-provoking and enlightening conversation between award winning author Ta-Nehisi Coates and journalist, political commentator, and founder of *Vox*, Ezra Klein. Topics covered include, but are not limited to, the legacy of MLK, the tension between law and order, and how this moment differs from 1968.

<https://www.vox.com/ezra-klein-show-podcast>

Watch

Short videos

A Conversation on Race

A series of short films about identity in America. <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/projects/your-stories/conversations-on-race>

What Is The Biggest Misconception About Racism?

A group of professors, activists, and authors reflect on misconceptions about race and racism. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3QpnHzJFnkM>

White Bred

On white supremacy. <https://vimeo.com/226104095>

How To Tell Someone They Sound Racist

Jay Smooth explains how to call someone out for saying something racist in a way that moves the conversation forward. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b0Ti-gkJiXc>

Videos over 10 minutes

How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Discussing Race

In this Ted Talk, Jay Smooth, the host of New York's longest running hip-hop radio show, discusses how we talk about issues of race and racism and offers suggestions for broadening our perceptions of the subject.

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

Verna Myers: How to overcome our biases? Walk boldly toward them

Verna Myers, a diversity advocate, discusses some of the subconscious biases we may hold and asks viewers to acknowledge their biases and move toward them, not away from them.

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

TV Episodes

Race Matters: America in Crisis

In this PBS NewsHour Special, the path forward is discussed by engaging with grassroots voices, newsmakers, and thought leaders.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A5eA43fd3qI>

TV Shows

Race: The Power of an Illusion

A 3-part series exploring the idea of race as biology and the ways in which race has been used to oppress.

When They See Us on Netflix

A four part series about the Central Park 5-- 5 black and brown teenagers wrongfully convicted and imprisoned for a brutal crime that they did not commit.

Movies

I Am Not Your Negro

A documentary based on James Baldwin's "Remember This House" an unfinished manuscript detailing the lives and assassinations of Martin Luther King Jr., Medgar Evers, and Malcom X.

King in the Wilderness

A portrait of Martin Luther King Jr. in his last years.

Slavery by Another Name

A 90-minute documentary that challenges the assumption that slavery ended with the emancipation proclamation