



# Talking About Race

## Resources for Families

Looking for anti-racist resources, tips for talking to your kids about race, and books that celebrate Black lives? See our list below to get started. This is by no means an exhaustive list, but hopefully a starting point that leads to additional resources.

### Anti-Racist & Social Justice Booklists for Kids & Teens

[20 Picture Books for 2020](#): Readings to Embrace Race, Provide Solace & Do Good (from EmbraceRace)

[Anti-Racist Books for All](#) (from the Children's Book Council)

[Children's Books to Support Conversations on Race, Racism, and Resistance](#) (from The Conscious Kid)

[Community, Connecting, Cultivating & Constructing Conversations Through Literacy](#): Social Justice Reading List (from the Black Caucus of the American Library Association & the Association for Library Service to Children)

Hoopla Digital's collections for [kids](#) and [teens](#) about race

[Social Justice](#): Fifteen Titles to Address Inequality, Equality, and Organizing for Middle Grade Readers (from *School Library Journal*)

### Books & Media Celebrating Black Lives and Black Joy

[37 Picture Books That Celebrate #BlackJoy](#) (from *School Library Journal*)

[100 Books for Black Boys](#) (from Langston League)

[1000 Black Girl Books Resource Guide](#): A resource guide and booklist created from the #1000blackgirlbooks campaign led by Marley Dias

[Because Black Lives Matter, Read Black Authors](#) (from Teen Librarian Toolbox)

[#BlackBoyJoy](#): Books Highlighting the Everyday Joy of Being a Black Boy (from Helping Kids Rise)

[Black Children's Books & Authors: Our Stories Matter](#)

[Black Girl Magic](#): 33 Picture Books Featuring Black Female Protagonists (from Brightly)

[The Brown Bookshelf](#): A group of authors and illustrators who came together to push awareness of the myriad of African American voices writing for young readers, including the "28 Days Later" initiative, a month-long showcase of the best in Picture Books, Middle Grade and Young Adult novels written and illustrated by African Americans.

[Confronting Anti-Blackness](#): A Reading List for Ages 0-18 (from The Conscious Kid)

[Coretta Scott King Book Awards](#): Given annually to outstanding African American authors and illustrators of books for children and young adults that demonstrate an appreciation of African American culture and universal human values.

[Kidcasts: Black Voices](#): A Black Voices playlist that includes voices from *Stoopkids Stories* and other Black kidcasters, storytellers, authors, poets, activists, musicians, and leaders.

### Racism & American History: Teaching & Learning Resources

[Lessons on the Civil Rights Movement](#) (from Teaching for Change)

[The New YA](#): Young readers' editions can change the way we teach history (from Teaching Tolerance)

[Racism & American History](#) videos (from Crash Course)

Slavery and the Civil War: [Part 1](#) & [Part 2](#) (from Teaching Tolerance)

[Slavery Shapes All of Our Lives, Yet Students Aren't Taught It's History](#) (from The Hechinger Report)

[Teaching Hard History](#): American Slavery (from Teaching Tolerance)



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[10 Tips for Teaching and Talking to Kids About Race](#) (from EmbraceRace)

[Coming Together: Standing Up to Racism](#): a town hall for kids and families (from Sesame Street & CNN)

[How to Talk to Kids about Race](#): Books and Resources That Can Help (from Brightly)

[How to Talk to Your Children about Protests and Racism](#) (from CNN)

[Nick News Presents: Kids, Race, and Unity](#): hosted by Alicia Keys, Nick News talks with founders and leaders of the Black Lives Matter movement, offer tools for families to have constructive conversations about race, and highlights teen activists who are fighting racial injustice

[Talking About Race](#) (from the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History & Culture)

[Talking to Young Children About Race and Racism](#) (from PBS Kids)

[These Books Can Help You Explain Racism and Protest to Your Kids](#) (from The New York Times)

### Additional Resources for Parents

[Anti-Racism Resources for All Ages](#): A project by Dr. Nicole A. Cooke, Augusta Baker Endowed Chair at the University of South Carolina

[EmbraceRace](#): A variety of resources including booklists, tips for talking to kids about race, action guides, and more

[Raising Race Conscious Children](#): A resource to support adults who are trying to talk about race with young children

[Representation Matters](#): Black Joy is an Act of Resistance (from *School Library Journal*)

[Smithsonian National Museum of African American History & Culture](#)

[TED Talks to Help You Understand Racism in America](#)

[We Need Diverse Books](#): An organization of children's book lovers that advocates essential changes in the publishing industry to produce and promote literature that reflects and honors the lives of all young people.