

Anti-racism and Social Justice Resources

BACKSTORY

[BackStory](#) is a weekly podcast that uses current events in America to explore history. The program is hosted by historians and provides unique perspectives on themes and subjects - giving the listeners all sides to the story.. and then some.

ISTE

[9 Resources for teaching anti-racism](#) from ISTE International Society for Technology in Education, a community of global educators who use technology and critical thinking to empower teaching and learning.



**Los Angeles County
Office of Education**
Serving Students • Supporting Communities • Leading Educators

[Los Angeles County Office of Education Equity Resources](#)

PBS Teachers Lounge

[PBS Education](#) offers tools for educators to create immediate, positive change in the fight against anti-Black racism.

**Smithsonian's
HISTORY EXPLORER**

[Smithsonian History Explorer](#) is a great resource for teachers with archives that include lessons, activities, museum artifacts, web links, books, and interactive media.



**VENTURA COUNTY
OFFICE OF EDUCATION**
Dr. Cesar Morales, Deputy Superintendent

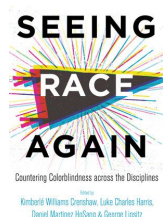
[Ventura County Office of Education](#) provides resources for parents and educators to guide discussions about racism and implicit bias.

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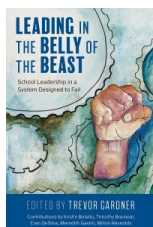
[Pretty Good, written by Katria Michie](#), shares ideas for talking about race with young children. She provides resources to support the conversations.



[The San Mateo County Office of Education](#) has called the education community to action with resources to support teaching and learning to confront anti-racism.



[Seeing Race Again: Countering Colorblindness Across the Disciplines](#) published by the University of California Press challenges scholars and students to see race in a way that examines racial histories and colorblindness across the academic disciplines.



[Leading in the Belly of the Beast: School Leadership in a System Designed to Fail](#) is written for school leadership. This book is an anthology of essays from 9 transformational school leaders around the country who have met the challenges and supported the cultures of their schools.

[TeachingBooks Resources](#) has archived extensive reading lists for social justice and anti-racism. TeachingBooks is a great resource that provides an engaging collection of resources for educators and K-12 students through all content areas. This resource is available to all California educators through a grant provided by the California State Library. Click on the links to access TeachingBooks resources, videos, audio readings, lesson plans, and book suggestions that have been archived to support educators.

Links

Grades



Two reading Lists compiled by Teaching Books and sponsored by Publishers Weekly:

[Anti-Racist Reading List: Understanding Race and Anti-Racism](#)

[Anti-Racist Reading List: Raise Your Voice: Activism and Protest](#)

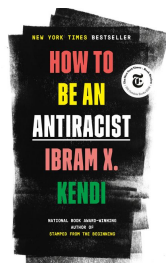
Grades K-12



Reading Lists compiled by Teaching Books and sponsored by Brain Lair Books:

[This List is Anti-Racist](#)

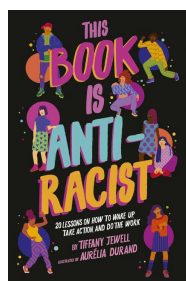
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[How to Be an Antiracist](#) by Ibram X. Kendi

This book calls readers to join the conversation about racial justice in America and take personal action.

Grades 7-12

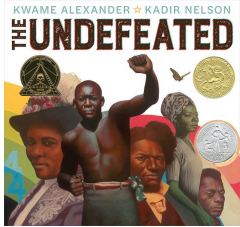
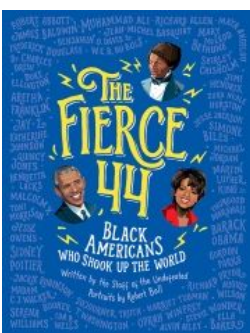
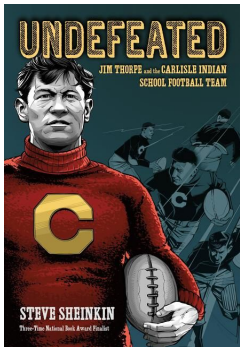
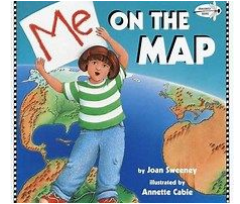
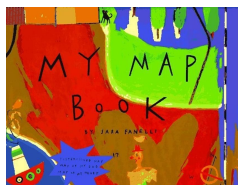


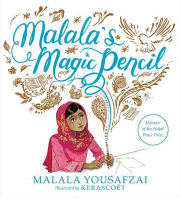
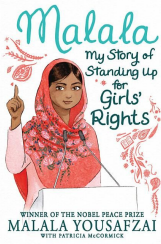
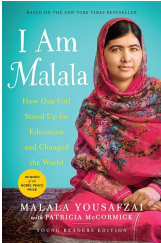
[This Book is Anti-Racist: 20 Lessons on How to Wake Up, Take Action, and Do the Work](#) by Tiffany M. Jewell and Aurelia Durand

This book provides guidance for personal reflection and growth, along with a collection of lessons to energize thinking and conversation for change.

Grades 4-12

A Few More Book Ideas...

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|  | <p><i>The Undeclared</i> by Kwame Alexander and Kadir Nelson</p> <p>This book is an ode to courage. It leads readers through a lyrical journey to remember those who have been strong, unforgettable, and celebrated.</p> | <p>1-5 + all ages</p> |
|  | <p><i>The Fierce 44: Black Americans Who Shook Up the World</i> by the Staff of the Undeclared, illustrated by Robert Ball</p> <p>Check out this engaging website with links to biographies of the Fierce 44, individuals who have been changemakers.</p> | |
|  | <p><i>Undeclared: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team</i> by Steve Sheinkin</p> <p>This is a biography of Jim Thorpe.</p> | <p>4-8</p> |
|  | <p><i>Me on the Map</i> by Joan Sweeney and Annette Cable</p> <p>This book introduces children to maps and helps them to connect their understanding to home, community, and the world.</p> | <p>PK-5</p> |
|  | <p><i>My Map Book</i> by Sara Fanelli</p> <p>This book introduces the concepts of what makes a map be a map. It is also a great springboard for children to think about their own worlds and identity.</p> | <p>PK-5</p> |

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|  | <p><u><i>Malala's Magic Pencil</i></u> by Malala Yousafzai and Kerascoet</p> <p>Written for young children, this book inspires action and illustrates hope.</p> | <p>PK-2</p> |
|  | <p><u><i>Malala: My Story of Standing Up for Girls' Rights</i></u> by Malala Yousafzai and Sarah J. Robbins</p> <p>This is a memoir written by Malala abridged for young readers.</p> | <p>1-5</p> |
|  | <p><u><i>I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World</i></u> by Malala Yousafzai and Patricia McCormick</p> <p>This is a memoir written by Malala abridged for young chapter book readers.</p> | <p>4-12</p> |