

# Black History Month: Past, Present, Future

## Resources for Teachers and Staff

February is Black History Month. It is a time to honor the rich and complex past while learning about how it has led to an equally important present, which in turn is the foundation for the future of African-Americans and their role in U.S. History. Springhurst Library Media Specialist Lauren Rodriguez, Middle/High School Library Media Specialist Ellen Elsen, and K-8 Literacy Coordinator Michelle Yang-Kaczmarek have teamed up with Dobbs Ferry Public Library Children's Librarian Gina Elbert to create this resource list to help your classes dive deeper into Black History Month. Our hope is that this history will not just stay in February but will be celebrated all year long highlighting Black joy and excellence. **This is a sampling of available resources and not an exhaustive list. If you would like help finding more, please contact your librarians.**

### Booklist

Below is a list of published books. You can access items marked with a blue dot (●) through the Dobbs Ferry school libraries and items marked with a yellow dot (●) through the Dobbs Ferry Public Library. Please contact your librarians to put them on hold and/or learn more information about the formats in which these titles are available.

### Picture Books

- *All Because You Matter* by Tami Charles ● ●
- *An American Story* by Kwame Alexander ●
- *Antiracist Baby* by Ibram X. Kendi ● ●
- *Black is a Rainbow Color* by Angela Joy ●
- *Black-Eyed Peas and Hoghead Cheese* by Glenda Armand ●
- *Bunheads* by Misty Copeland ●
- *C is for Country* by Lil Nas X ●
- *Change Sings* by Amanda Gorman ●
- *Chocolate Me* by Taye Diggs ●
- *Cool Cuts* by Mechel Renee Roe ●
- *Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut* by Derrick Barnes ● ●
- *Delphine Denise and the Mardi Gras Prize* by Brittany Mazique ●
- *Don't Touch My Hair* by Sharee Miller ●
- *Hands Up!* by Breanna J. McDaniel ●
- *Hair Love* by Matthew Cherry ●
- *Hey Black Child* by Useni Eugene Perkins ● ●
- *I Am Every Good Thing* by Derrick Barnes ●
- *Let the Children March* by Monica Clark-Robinson ● ●
- *Looking for a Jumbie* by Tracey Baptiste ●
- *Lubaya's Quiet Roar* by Marilyn Nelson and Philomena Williamson ●
- *Mae Among the Stars* by Roda Ahmed ● ●
- *Magnolia Flower* by Zora Neale Hurson and Ibram X. Kendi ●

- *Mermaid Kenzie: Protector of the Deep*s by Charlotte Watson Sherman 🟡
- *Milo Imagines the World* by Matt de la Peña 🟡
- *My Princess Boy* by Cheryl Kilodavis 🟡
- *Opening the Road: Victor Hugo and His Green Book* by Kaila Dawson 🟡
- *Parker Looks Up* by Jessica and Parker Gorman 🟡
- *Playtime for Restless Rascals* by Nikki Grimes 🟡
- *The Proudest Blue* by Ibtihaj Muhammed and S.K. Ali 🔵 🟡
- *The Queen of Kindergarten* by Derrick D. Barnes 🟡
- *Sing a Song* by Kelly Starling Lyons 🟡
- *Stacey's Extraordinary Words* by Stacey Abrams 🟡
- *Sulwe* by Lupita Nyong'o 🔵 🟡
- *Sunflower Sisters* by Monika Singh Gangotra 🟡
- *Twelve Dinging Doorbells* by Tameka Fryer Brown 🟡
- *We Wait for the Sun* by Dovey Johnson Roundtree & Katie McCabe 🟡
- *When Aidan Became a Brother* by Kyle Lukoff 🔵 🟡
- *Your Name is a Song* by Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow 🔵 🟡

## Easy Readers, Series Books, and Early Chapter Books

- *Azaleah Lane* series by Nikki Shannon Smith and Gloria Felix 🔵 🟡
- *Dyamonde Daniel* series (series of early chapter books) by Nikki Grimes 🔵 🟡
- *Jada Jones* (series of early chapter books) by Kelly Starling Lyons 🟡
- *Jaden Toussaint* series (series of early chapter books) by Marti Dumas 🟡
- *J.D. the Kid Barber* (series) - J. Dillard 🟡
- *Mia Mayhem* (series of easy readers) by Kara West 🟡
- *Sadiq* series by Simon Nuurali 🟡
- *Ty's Travels* (series of easy readers) by Kelly Starling Lyons 🟡

## Elementary Non-Fiction

- *28 Days: Moments in Black History that Changed the World* by Charles R. Smith 🟡
- *The 1619 Project: Born on the Water* by Nikole Hannah-Jones 🔵 🟡
- *The ABC's of Black History* by Rio Cortez 🔵 🟡
- *Africa, Amazing Africa* by Atinuke 🟡
- *All Aboard the Schooltrain: A Story from the Great Migration* by Glenda Armand 🟡
- *All Rise: The Story of Ketanji Brown Jackson* by Carole Boston Weatherford (pub. Feb. 2023) 🟡
- *Barack Obama : Son of Promise, Child of Hope* by Nikki Grimes 🔵 🟡
- *Because Claudette* by Tracey Baptiste 🟡
- *Between the Lines: How Ernie Barnes Went from the Football Field to the Art Gallery* by Sandra Neil Wallace 🔵 🟡
- *Brave. Black. First.: 50+ African American women who changed the world* by Cheryl Willis Hudson 🟡
- *A Child's Introduction to African American History: The Experiences, People, and Events That Shaped Our Country* by Jabari Asim 🔵 🟡

- *Evicted! The Struggle for the Right to Vote* by Alice Duncan Faye 🟡
- *Free At Last* by Sojourner Kincaid 🟡
- *Game Changers: The Story of Venus and Serena Williams* by Lesa Cline-Ransome 🟡
- *Harlem's Little Blackbird* by Renée Watson 🟡
- *Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad* by Ann Petry ; foreword by Jason Reynolds. 🔵 🟡
- *Hidden Figures : the true story of four black women and the space race* by Margot Lee Shetterly 🔵 🟡
- *If You Traveled on the Underground Railroad* by Ebony Joy Wilkins 🟡
- *Jump at the Sun: The True Life of Unstoppable Storycatcher Zora Neale Hurston* - Alicia D Williams 🟡
- *Legacy: Women Poets of the Harlem Renaissance* by Nikki Grimes 🔵 🟡
- *Let's Talk About Race* by Julius Lester 🔵 🟡
- *Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History* by Vashti Harrison 🔵 🟡
- *Mbappé* by Kevin Pettman 🟡
- *Nina* by Traci N. Todd 🔵 🟡
- *The Oldest Student: How Mary Walker Learned to Read* by Ria Lorraine Hubbard 🟡
- *Opal Lee and What It Means to Be Free* by Alice Duncan Faye 🟡
- *Preaching to the Chickens : The Story of Young John Lewis* by Jabari Asim 🔵 🟡
- *Radiant Child: The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat* by Javaka Steptoe 🔵 🟡
- *RESPECT: Aretha Franklin, the Queen of Soul* by Carole Boston Weatherford 🔵 🟡
- *Schomburg: The Man Who Built a Library* by Carole Boston Weatherford and Eric Velasquez 🟡
- *Shirley Chisholm is a Verb* by Veronica Chambers 🟡
- *Simone Biles* by Jon M. Fishman 🟡
- *Someday Is Now: Clara Luper and the 1958 Oklahoma City Sit-ins* by Olugbemisola Rhuday-Perkovich 🟡
- *Song in a Rainstorm: The Story of Musical Prodigy Thomas "Blind Tom" Wiggins* by Glenda Armand 🟡
- *Sylvia and Marsha Start a Revolution! The Story of the Trans Women of Color Who Made LGBTQ+ History* by Joy Michael Ellison 🟡
- *Talkin' about Bessie : The Story of Aviator Elizabeth Coleman* by Nikki Grimes 🔵 🟡
- *To Boldly Go: How Nichelle Nichols and Star Trek Helped Advance Civil Rights* by Angela Dalton 🟡
- *Together We March: 25 Protest Movements that Changed History* by Leah Handerson 🟡
- *Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer, Spirit of the Civil Rights Movement* by Carole Boston Weatherford 🔵 🟡
- *What Do You Do with a Voice Like That? The Story of Extraordinary Congresswoman Barbara Jordan* by Chris Barton 🟡
- *When the Schools Shut Down: A Young Girl's Story of Virginia's "Lost Generation" and the Brown vs. Board of Education of Topeka Decision* by Yolanda Gladden 🟡
- *The Youngest Marcher: The Story of Audrey Faye Hendricks, a young civil rights activist* by Cynthia Levinson 🔵 🟡

## Middle Grade Fiction

- *Amari and the Great Game* by B.B. Alston ● ●
- *Amari and the Night Brothers* by BB Alston ●
- *Betty Before X* by Ilyash Shabazz ●
- *Black Boy Joy* by Edited by Kwame Mbalia ● ●
- *Black Brother, Black Brother* by Jewell Parker Rhodes ● ●
- *Black Panther: Into the Heartlands (graphic novel)* by Roseanne A. Brown ●
- *Blended* by Sharon M. Draper ● ●
- *Cameron Battle and the Hidden Kingdoms* by Jamar J. Perry ●
- *Chains (and Seeds of America series)* by Laurie Halse Anderson ● ●
- *Class Act (graphic novel)* by Jerry Craft ● ●
- *Clean Getaway* by Nic Stone ● ●
- *The Door of No Return* by Kwame Alexander ● ●
- *Dragons in a Bag* by Zetta Elliott ●
- *The Dragon Thief* by Zetta Elliott ●
- *Fast Pitch* by Nic Stone ● ●
- *Flygirl* by Sherri Smith ●
- *From the Desk of Zoe Washington* by Janae Marks ● ●
- *Genesis Begins Again* by Alicia Williams ● ●
- *Ghost Boys* by Jewell Parker Rhodes ● ●
- *A Good Kind of Trouble* by Lisa Moore Ramée ● ●
- *History Comics: Rosa Parks & Claudette Colvin* by Tracey Baptiste ●
- *History Smashers: The Underground Railroad* by Kate Messner ● ●
- *Hurricane Child* by Kacen Callender ●
- *Jazmin's Notebook* by Nikki Grimes ● ●
- *King and the Dragonflies* by Kacen Callender ● ●
- *Look Both Ways* by Jason Reynolds ● ●
- *Moonflower* by Kacen Calendar ●
- *My Life as an Ice Cream Sandwich* by Ibi Zoboi ● ●
- *New Kid (graphic novel)* by Jerry Craft ● ●
- *One Crazy Summer* by Rita Williams-Garcia ● ●
- *Onyeka and the Academy of the Sun* by Tola Okogwu ●
- *The Only Black Girls in Town* by Brandy Colbert ● ●
- *The Parker Inheritance* by Varian Johnson ● ●
- *Playing the Cards You're Dealt* by Varian Johnson ●
- *Princess (graphic novel series)* by Jeremy Whitley ●
- *Princess Princess Ever After* by Katie O'Neill ●
- *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry* by Mildred D. Taylor ● ●
- *Serena Says* by Tanita S. Davis ●
- *The Stars Beneath Our Feet* by David Barclay Moore ● ●
- *Stella by Starlight* by Sharon M. Draper ● ●
- *The Sun Does Shine: An Innocent Man, A Wrongful Conviction, and the Long Path to Justice* by Anthony Ray Hinton ● ●
- *Swim Team* by Johnnie Christmas (graphic novel) ●

- *Track series (Ghost, Patina, Sunny, Lu)* by Jason Reynolds ● ●
- *Tristan Strong series* by Kwame Mbalia ● ●
- *True History: The Legacy of Jim Crow* by Clarence A. Hayes ●
- *Twins* (graphic novel) by Varian Johnson ● ●
- *The Watsons Go to Birmingham* by Christopher Paul Curtis ● ●
- *Ways to Make Sunshine* by Renée Watson ●
- *When Stars are Scattered* (graphic novel) by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed ● ●

## Middle Grade Non-Fiction

- *Becoming Kareem: Growing Up On and Off the Court* by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Raymond Obstfeld ● ●
- *We Are Not Yet Equal: Understanding Our Racial Divide* by Carol Anderson with Tonya Bolden ● ●
- *Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice* by Philip Hoose ● ●
- *Attucks!: Oscar Robertson and the Basketball Team that Awakened a City* by Philip Hoose ● ●
- *We Rise, We Resist, We Raise Our Voices* edited by Wade Hudson and Cheryl Willis Hudson ●
- *This Book is Anti-Racist* by Tiffany Jewell ● ●
- *March, Books 1-3* (graphic non-fiction) by John Lewis ● ●
- *Remember: The Journey to School Integration* by Toni Morrison ● ●
- *Becoming Muhammad Ali* by James Patterson and Kwame Alexander ● ●
- *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi ● ●
- *Malcolm Little* by Ilyash Shabazz ●
- *Black Heroes of the Wild West* (graphic non-fiction) by James Otis Smith ● ●
- *Freedom Summer (Young Reader's Edition)* by Rebecca Stefoff ● ●
- *Unspeakable: The Tulsa Race Massacre* by Carole Boston Weatherford ●
- *The Promise of Change* by Jo Ann Allen Bryce & Debbie Levy ●
- *Little Legends: Exceptional Men in Black History* by Vashti Harrison ● ●
- *Little Legends: Brave Women in Black History* by Vashti Harrison ●
- *Have I Ever Told You Black Lives Matter* by Shani King ●
- *Warriors Don't Cry* by Melba Patillo Beals ● ●
- *We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball* by Kadir Nelson ● ●
- *Reaching for the Moon: The Autobiography of NASA Mathematician Katherine Johnson* by Katherine C. Johnson ● ●

## Young Adult Fiction

- *All American Boys* by Jason Reynolds and Brandon Kiely ● ●
- *American Street* by Ibi Zoboi ● ●
- *The Awakening of Malcolm X: A Novel* by Ilyasah Shabazz and Tiffany D. Jackson ●
- *Bitter* by Akwaeke Emezi ●
- *Black Enough: Stories of Being Black and Young in America* edited by Ibi Zoboi ● ●
- *Blackout* by various authors ● ●
- *Children of Blood and Bone* by Tomi Adeyemi ● ●

- *Children of Virtue and Vengeance* by Tomi Adeyemi ● ●
- *Concrete Rose* by Angie Thomas ● ●
- *Dear Justyce* by Nic Stone ● ●
- *Dear Martin* by Nic Stone ● ●
- *Every Body Looking* by Candace Iloh ● ●
- *Grown* by Tiffany D. Jackson ● ●
- *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas ● ●
- *I Am Alfonso Jones* (graphic novel) by Tony Medina ● ●
- *I'm Not Dying with You Tonight* by Kimberly Jones ● ●
- *Legendborn* by Tracy Deonn ●
- *Little & Lion* by Brandy Colbert ● ●
- *Long Way Down* (print and graphic novel) by Jason Reynolds ● ●
- *Me (Moth)* by Amber McBride ● ●
- *Monday's Not Coming* by Tiffany D. Jackson ● ●
- *On the Come Up* by Angie Thomas ● ●
- *One of the Good Ones* by Maika Moulite and Maritza Moulite ● ●
- *Pet* by Akwaeke Emezi ● ●
- *Piecing Me Together* by Renée Watson ● ●
- *Pride: A Pride and Prejudice Remix* by Ibi Zoboi ●
- *Punching the Air* by Ibi Zoboi and Yusef Salaam ● ●
- *Raybearer* by Jordan Ifueko ●
- *Redemptor* by Jordan Ifueko ●
- *Rise to the Sun* by Leah Johnson ●
- *The Skin I'm In* by Sharon Flake ● ●
- *Slay* by Brittney Morris ●
- *Somebody That I Used to Know* by Dana L. Davis ● ●
- *This is My America* by Kim Johnson ● ●
- *The Voting Booth* by Brandy Colbert ● ●
- *The Weight of Blood* by Tiffany D. Jackson ● ●
- *Wings of Ebony* series by J. Elle ●
- *With the Fire on High* by Elizabeth Acevedo ● ●
- *You Should See Me in a Crown* by Leah Johnson ● ●

## Young Adult Non-Fiction

- *All Boys Aren't Blue* by George M. Johnson ● ●
- *Augusta Savage: The Shape of a Sculptor's Life (Biography in Verse)* by Marilyn Nelson ●
- *The Awakening of Malcolm X* by Ilyash Shabazz ●
- *The Beautiful Struggle (Adapted for Young Adults)* by Ta-Nehisi Coates ● ●
- *Black Birds in the Sky : The Story and Legacy of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre* by Brandy Colbert ● ●
- *The Black Friend: On Being a Better White Person* by Frederick Joseph ● ●
- *The Black Panther Party: A Graphic Novel History* by David F. Walker ●
- *Born a Crime: Stories from South African Childhood (Adapted for Young Readers)* by Trevor Noah ● ●

- *Hidden Figures (Young Reader's Edition)* by Margot Lee Shetterly ● ●
- *How To Be a (Young) Antiracist* by Ibram X. Kendi & Nic Stone (pub. Jan.) ● ●
- *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou ● ●
- *Just Mercy (Young Reader's Edition)* by Bryan Stephenson ● ●
- *March, Books 1-3* (graphic non-fiction) by John Lewis ● ●
- *Paul Robeson: No One Can Silence Me (Adapted for Young Adults)* by Martin R. Duberman ● ●
- *Proud: Living My American Dream (Young Readers Edition)* by Ibtihaj Muhammad
- *The Rebellious Life of Mrs. Rosa Parks* by Brandy Cobert ● ●
- *Righteous Troublemakers: Untold Stories of the Social Justice Movement in America* by Reverend Al Sharpton ● ●
- *Say Her Name* by Zetta Elliott ●
- *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi ● ●
- *Victory. Stand!* by Tommie Smith, Derrick Barnes & Dawud Anyabwile ● ●
- *We Are Not Broken* by George M. Johnson ● ●
- *When They Call You a Terrorist: A Story of Black Lives Matter and the Power to Change the World (Young Adult Edition)* by Benee Knauer, Patrisse Kahn-Cullors, and ashe bandele ●

## Poetry and Books in Verse

- *Ain't Burned All the Bright* by Jason Reynolds and Jason Griffin ● ●
- *Booked* by Kwame Alexander ● ●
- *Brown Girl Dreaming* by Jacqueline Woodson ● ●
- *Can I Touch Your Hair?: Poems of Race, Mistakes and Friendship* by Irene Latham and Charles Waters ● ●
- *Clap When You Land* by Elizabeth Acevedo ● ●
- *The Crossover* by Kwame Alexander ● ●
- *Inheritance* by Elizabeth Acevedo ●
- *A Place Inside of Me: A Poem to Heal the Heart* by Zetta Elliott ● ●
- *The Poet X* by Elizabeth Acevedo ● ●
- *Rebound* by Kwame Alexander ● ●
- *Standing in the Need of Prayer: A Modern Retelling of the Classic Spiritual* by Carole Boston Weatherford ●
- *Woke: A Young Poet's Call to Justice* by Mahogany L. Browne with Elizabeth Acevedo and Olivia Gatwood ● ●
- *A Wreath for Emmett Till* by Marilyn Nelson ● ●

## Resources

### 10 Tips for Teaching and Talking to Kids about Race

<https://www.embracerace.org/resources/teaching-and-talking-to-kids>

EmbraceRace is a multiracial community dedicated to sharing and developing best practices for raising and caring for kids, all kids, in the context of race. They partnered with MomsRising - a transformative multicultural organization of more than a million members working to increase family

economic security and end discrimination against women and mothers - to create these tips for our communities.

## **28 Days Later**

<https://thebrownbookshelf.com/28-days-later/>

This is an initiative to profile one Black children's and young adult author or illustrator for each day of Black History Month. Use it to find books to share with your students in your classroom.

## **28 Days of Black History**

<https://www.28daysofblackhistory.com/>

Sign up for daily emails that will include ways to honor and celebrate Black history. You'll also receive discussion questions to drive conversation and learning with students and colleagues.

## **Approaching Intersectional Conversations**

<https://www.thetrevorproject.org/resources/black-and-lgbtq-approaching-intersectional-conversations/>

If you're considering engaging with people who identify as non-Black in your life about your identities, it's important to remember that the process of having difficult conversations does not begin or end with the discussion itself. It is essential to consider your well-being and safety at each step in the journey. Click on this link to find some approaches to consider before, during, and after a difficult conversation to make sure the dialogue — and your mental health — stays safe.

## **Black Children's Books and Authors**

<https://bcbooksandauthors.com/>

An online author directory of Black children's authors and the stories they write.

## **Black History in Two Minutes (or so)**

<https://www.youtube.com/@BlackHistoryinTwoMinutes/videos>

Described as "fast, accurate U.S. history," these free videos introduce well-known (and less-well-known) topics in Black history. Topics range from Barack Obama's 2008 election to school integration to the first Black patent holders in the U.S.

## **The Black Joy Experience Guide**

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/15bRR8abMqmu6AyHxrrqej0A2d7Pj5cnX/view>

This is a zine created by BYP 100 that contains personal narratives and testimonials, curriculum guides, and songs.

## **Black Stories Have Power**

<https://www.penguinrandomhouse.com/cc/black-history-month>

Want more recommendations for books? This is a list of books by and about Black people published by Penguin Random House.

## **Black Youth Project 100**

<https://www.byp100.org/>



Founded in 2013, BYP100 (Black Youth Project 100) is a member-based organization of Black youth activists creating justice and freedom for all Black people. BYP100 was, at one point, just a hashtag for the 2013 “Beyond November Movement Convening” developed through the vision and leadership of Cathy Cohen.

## **Bookmarks: Celebrating Black Voices on Netflix Jr.**

[This YouTube playlist](#) features Black celebrities reading picture books written and/or illustrated by Black authors.

## **The Brown Bookshelf**

<https://thebrownbookshelf.com/>

The Brown Bookshelf is designed to push awareness of the myriad Black voices writing for young readers.

## **Classroom Resources**

<https://www.tolerance.org/classroom-resources>

This webpage compiles lesson and learning plans, film kits, student tasks, and more about tolerance in every form.

## **CommonLit Black Heritage Collection**

<https://www.commonlit.org/en/text-sets/black-heritage>

CommonLit's Black Heritage text set features over 40 high-quality texts that center important Black people from the past and present.

## **Erasure and Resilience: The Experiences of LGBTQ Students of Color**

<https://www.glsen.org/research/black-lgbtq-students>

*Erasure and Resilience: The Experiences of LGBTQ Students of Color, Black LGBTQ Youth in U.S. Schools* is one of a series of reports on LGBTQ students of color that examines the school experiences of Black LGBTQ youth. This site includes the PDF of the report, a webinar on Black LGBTQ+ student experiences, and downloadable infographics.

## **GLSEN**

<https://www.glsen.org/>

GLSEN was founded by a group of teachers in 1990 who knew that educators play key roles in creating affirming learning environments for LGBTQ youth. But as well as activating supportive educators, they believe in centering and uplifting student-led movements, which have powered initiatives like the Day of Silence, Ally Week, and more.

## **Learning for Justice**

<https://www.learningforjustice.org/>

Learning for Justice (Previously known as Teaching Tolerance) provides free resources to educators—teachers, administrators, counselors and other practitioners—who work with children from kindergarten through high school. Educators use our materials to supplement the curriculum, to inform

their practices, and to create civil and inclusive school communities where children are respected, valued and welcome participants. Their program emphasizes social justice and anti-bias.

## **National Museum of African American History and Culture Collection**

<https://nmaahc.si.edu/explore/collection>

## **NEA: Black History Month Lessons & Resources**

<https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/tools-tips/black-history-month-lessons-resources>

This site from the National Endowment for the Arts has lesson plans, activities, printables, and videos around specific topics in Black History for every grade level. Examples include Black Labor History, Musical Harlem, and African American Inventors.

## **The *New York Times* 1619 Project**

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2019/08/14/magazine/1619-america-slavery.html>

The 1619 Project is an ongoing initiative from The New York Times Magazine that began in August 2019, the 400th anniversary of the beginning of American slavery. It aims to reframe the country's history by placing the consequences of slavery and the contributions of black Americans at the very center of our national narrative.

## **New York Times Race, Racism and Racial Justice Resources**

<https://www.nytimes.com/spotlight/race-racism-and-racial-justice-resources>

## **Social Justice Resources from the University of Kansas**

<https://guides.lib.ku.edu/socialjustice/lgbtqafricanamerican>

This LibGuide, compiled by University of Kansas research reports and links to information about a variety of aspects of Black LGBTQ+ life, including religion, human rights, and more.

## **Support Black LGBTQ Youth Mental Health**

<https://www.thetrevorproject.org/2020/06/01/supporting-black-lgbtq-youth-mental-health/>

Use this guide to support Black and Brown youth in conversations around current events and other issues that may be troubling for them.

## **Talking to Young Children About Race and Racism**

<https://www.pbs.org/parents/talking-about-racism>

Children are never too young to learn about diversity. As young as 3 months old, they may look differently at people who look like or don't look like their primary caregivers. As parents and caregivers, we must have confidence in ourselves and in our children — that we, and they, can handle tough topics and tough situations. We must understand that our role is to be honest, specific, and trustworthy as we raise the next generation to confront racial injustice. Here are tips and resources to help you have a meaningful conversation with young children about race, racism, and being anti-racist.

## Teach This: “The Hill We Climb” and the 2021 Inauguration

<https://www.tolerance.org/magazine/teach-this-the-hill-we-climb-and-the-2021-inauguration>

This is a lesson plan for teaching about Amanda Gorman, the first U.S. Youth Poet Laureate and youngest inaugural poet in history, and her poem “The Hill We Climb.”

## The Trevor Project

<https://www.thetrevorproject.org/>

Founded in 1998 by the creators of the Academy Award®-winning short film TREVOR, The Trevor Project is the leading national organization providing crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer & questioning (LGBTQ) young people under 25.

## The Undefeated

<https://theundefeated.com/>

The Undefeated describes itself as “the premier platform for exploring the intersections of race, sports and culture. We enlighten and entertain with innovative storytelling, original reporting and provocative commentary.” It is a news website that is owned by ESPN.

## Social Media Accounts to Follow

An easy way to add to the Black voices in your daily life are by following social media accounts. Below are several you can start with, accompanied by bios from these pages or written by Gina:

- **@antiracismdaily** on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#): Take action to dismantle white supremacy. Stories by incredible writers, founded by @nicoleacardoza.
- **@blackatdobbs** on [Instagram](#): This is a safe space for current, former and graduated Black (& other POC) Students of DFSD to anonymously share their stories. (student run)
- **@britthawthorne** on [Instagram](#): Coffee-drinking, homeschooling momma living in Texas. Dedicated to anti-biased anti-racist teaching practices.
- **@theconsciouskid** on [Instagram](#): Parenting and Education through a Critical Race Lens. Diverse #OwnVoices Books. Black and Brown Owned.
- **@dfptsadiversity** on [Instagram](#): We are the Dobbs Ferry PTSA Diversity Committee. Here to share books and relevant information.
- **@multiculturalkidsbooks** on [Instagram](#): Two sisters: a teacher and a children's book editor (UK) championing books with Black & ethnic minority characters & creators.
- **@ProjectLITComm** on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#): A grassroots literacy movement empowering readers and leaders in hundreds of schools & communities across the country.
- **@thetututeacher** on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#): Black kindergarten teacher and book influencer.
- **@tiffanymjewell** on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#): Black biracial educator and author of *This Book is Anti-Racist*.
- **@wokekindergarten** on [Instagram](#): Global abolitionist early learning community.
- **#disruptTexts** on [Instagram](#) and **@disrupttexts** on [Twitter](#): A movement to rebuild the literary canon using an antibias, antiracist critical literacy lens.