

# Talking with Kids About Race

## Resources about Children's Media & Current Events

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Visit [kids.denverlibrary.org/racetalk](https://kids.denverlibrary.org/racetalk) for more resources.

### Websites

Raising Race Conscious Children: A Resource for Talking About Race with Young Children

[www.raceconscious.org](http://www.raceconscious.org)

Embrace Race: Supporting a Brave Generation

[www.embracerace.org](http://www.embracerace.org)

We Need Diverse Books

[www.diversebooks.org](http://www.diversebooks.org)

Diverse Book Finder

[www.diversebookfinder.org](http://www.diversebookfinder.org)

Children's Television (CTV) Project

[sites.tufts.edu/ctvresearch](http://sites.tufts.edu/ctvresearch)

Kids Inclusive and Diverse Media Action Project

[www.joinkidmap.org](http://www.joinkidmap.org)

### Video & Audio

*How to Deconstruct Racism, One Headline at a Time*

Baratunde Thurston (TED Talks)

<https://tinyurl.com/qlotnn4>

*What to Do When You Realize Classic Books From Your Childhood Are Racist*

Grace Lin (PBS News Hour)

<https://tinyurl.com/rzmw8pa>

*What to Say to Kids When the News is Scary*

NPR Life Kit: Parenting

<https://tinyurl.com/wut5y3a>

*The Birth of American Music*

1619 Project (New York Times)

<https://tinyurl.com/yxo9ug2k>

*From Blackface to Blackfishing*

Code Switch (NPR)

<https://tinyurl.com/srwrp4v>

### Resource Lists

*Resources for Talking with Kids About Race*

Denver Public Library

[www.kids.denverlibrary.org/racetalk](http://www.kids.denverlibrary.org/racetalk)

*Listen, Learn, Participate: A #BlackLivesMatter Resource Series*

Oakland Public Library

<https://tinyurl.com/kdxtc8k>

*Resources for Talking About Race, Racism, and Racialized Violence with Kids*

Center for Racial Justice in Education

<https://tinyurl.com/tuf3kdx>

### Articles

*Tackling the Racism in Children's Classics*

Nashville Public Library

<https://tinyurl.com/tldbjc5>

*Kids' TV Lacks Gender Balance and Diversity, New Study Suggests*

CBC News

<https://tinyurl.com/sl xv56j>

*Why It's So Important for Kids to See Diverse TV and Movie Characters*

The Conversation

<https://tinyurl.com/t3rjuv3>

*With 'Molly of Denali,' PBS Raises Its Bar for Inclusion*

New York Times

<https://tinyurl.com/y534uo6h>

*Lies My Bookshelf Told Me:  
Slavery in Children's Literature*

Teaching Tolerance

<https://tinyurl.com/yyfogejx>

*The Unbearable Darkness Of White Privilege And Why The Wall Street Journal Needs To Leave Our Literature Alone*

by S.R. Toliver, Blavity

<https://tinyurl.com/vwd7wqy>

*Many Classic Children's Books Have Troubling Themes or Language. Should We Read Them Anyway?*

The Washington Post

<https://tinyurl.com/teyjqot>

*Dr. Seuss Books Can Be Racist, But Kids Keep Reading Them*

National Public Radio

<https://tinyurl.com/url48kw>

*An Updated Look at Diversity in Children's Books*

School Library Journal

<https://tinyurl.com/y2gryoa1>

*Cartoons and Stereotypes*

Tufts Now

<https://tinyurl.com/sv8hqdj>

*Racial Diversity in Children's Cartoons*

Medium

<https://tinyurl.com/s41aj4o>

*Children's Television Project*

Tufts University

<https://tinyurl.com/r3vxefk>

*Hate at School*

Southern Poverty Law Center

<https://tinyurl.com/whpvogt>

## For Educators & Librarians

*Talking to Kids About Race in Storytime and the Let's Talk About Race Toolkit*

Jbrary

<https://tinyurl.com/yax83lrm>

*Educator Resources*

Facing History and Ourselves

<https://tinyurl.com/yynuhduj>

*Looking at Race and Racial Identity in Children's Books*

Teaching Tolerance

<https://tinyurl.com/wq9uyrh>

*Teaching Hard History: American Slavery*

Teaching Tolerance

<https://tinyurl.com/y8ptrdkp>

*10 Quick Ways to Analyze Children's Books For Racism and Sexism*

Council on Interracial Books for Children

<https://tinyurl.com/rncuoec>

*Talking with Young Children (0-5) about Race*

Association of Library Services to Children

<https://tinyurl.com/y5bexyrf>

## Children's Book Reviews

Brown Bookshelf

[thebrownbookshelf.com](http://thebrownbookshelf.com)

Hijabi Librarians

[hijabibrarians.com](http://hijabibrarians.com)

American Indians in Children's Literature

[americanindiansinchildrensliterature.blogspot.com](http://americanindiansinchildrensliterature.blogspot.com)

Latinxs in Kid Lit

[www.latinosinkidlit.com](http://www.latinosinkidlit.com)

De Colores

[decoloresreviews.blogspot.com](http://decoloresreviews.blogspot.com)

Reading While White

[readingwhilewhite.blogspot.com](http://readingwhilewhite.blogspot.com)

Rich in Color

[richincolor.com](http://richincolor.com)