An Antiracism Reading List

E-book and Audiobooks from Overdrive and Hoopla

- Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates "A meditation on race in America, haunted by the bodies of black men, women, and children, Coates’s compelling, indeed stunning, work is rare in its power to make you want to slow down and read every word." OD, e-book & audio


- The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness by Michelle Alexander "Largely written and generously illustrated with photos and artifacts, this rigorous and entertaining history deserves a wide readership." OD, e-book & audio

- How to Be Less Stupid About Race: On Antiracism by Robin DiAngelo "This slim book is impressive in its scope and complexity; DiAngelo provides a powerful lens for examining, and practical tools for grappling with, racism today." OD, e-book & audio

- I Can’t Breathe: A Killing on Bay Street by Matt Taibbi. "Here Taibbi dives deep into who Garner was and how he wound up on a Staten Island sidewalk selling bootleg cigarettes. Taibbi lays down the backstory that led to Garner’s arrest and the police choke hold caught on video for millions to see." OD, e-book & audio

- So You Want to Talk About Race by Ijeoma Oluo. "A current, constructive, and actionable exploration of today’s racial landscape, offering straightforward clarity that readers of all races need to contribute to the dismantling of the racial divide." OD, e-book & audio

- Mindful of Race: Understanding and Transforming Habits of Harm by Ruth King. "Seeks to disrupt readers of all backgrounds with an abundance of insights and guided practices to help us identify our rejections, honor and engage with our most challenging emotions, temper them with compassionate forgiveness, and find the optimal course of wise action." Hoopla, e-book & audio

- Mindful of Race: Understanding and Transforming Habits of Harm by Ruth King. "Diagnostic in nature, this book guides readers in understanding the origin of their racial biases and in making changes to their own social and cultural awakening." OD, e-book

- The Fire This Time: A New Generation Speaks about Race by Jesmyn Ward. "Ward, and actionable as they are difficult. OD, e-book & audio

- America’s Original Sin: by Jim Wallis. “America’s problem with race has deep roots, with the country’s foundation fed to the near extermination of one race of people and the enslavement of another. Racism is truly our nation’s original sin.” Hoopla, audio


Further Resources:

- 75 Things White People Can Do for Racial Justice | Medium.com | Corinne Shutack
- 4 Black Lives Matters Myth Debunked | Decoded | MTV News | YouTube | Francesca Ramsey
- 12 Movies to Watch to Educate Yourself About Racism and Protest History | Time, Inc. | time.com
- Ten "Must Watch" Black History Documentaries | Black Culture Connection | PBS | pbs.org
- A Detailed List of Anti-Racism Resources | Medium.com | Katie Couric | adults, kids & teens

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