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Birmingham Bar Association Bibliography
Readings and Podcasts on Race, Equity and Social Justice

Books for Adults

Go Tell it on the Mountain by James Baldwin

Notes of a Native Son by James Baldwin

The Fire Next Time by James Baldwin

The Color of Money: Black Banks and the Racial Wealth Gap by Mehrsa Baradaran

Choke Hold: Policing Black Men by Paul Butler

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates

White Fragility by Robin J. Diangelo

Tears We Cannot Stop: A Sermon to White America by Michael Eric Dyson

Black Protest: History, Documents, and Analyses 1619 to the Present edited by Joanne Grant

The ABCs of Diversity: Helping Kids (and Ourselves!) Embrace Our Differences by Y. Joy

Harris-Smith and Carolyn B. Helsel

The Panther and the Lash (selected poems) by Langston Hughes

When Affirmative Action was White: An Untold History of Racial Inequality in Twentieth

Century America by Ira Katznelson

How to Be an Antiracist by Ibram X. Kendi

Black Women in White America edited by Gerda Lerner

The Negro Pilgrimage in America by C. Eric Lincoln

The Betrayal of the Negro: From Rutherford B. Hayes to Woodrow Wilson by Rayford W.

Logan

The Negro's Civil War: How American Blacks Felt and Acted during the War for the Union by

James M. McPherson

Black Wealth / White Wealth: A New Perspective on Racial Inequality by Melvin Oliver and

Thomas M. Shapiro

Capital in the Twenty-First Century by Thomas Piketty

The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How our Government Segregated America by Richard

Rothstein

Me and White Supremacy by Layla F. Saad

Crisis in Black and White by Charles E. Silberman

Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson

My People Is the Enemy by William Stringfellow

Who Speaks for the Negro? by Robert Penn Warren

A People's History of the United States by Howard Zinn

Wilmington's Lie: The Murderous Coup of 1898 and the Rise of White Supremacy by David

Zucchino

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Books for Children

Ages 0-3

The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keates
A Letter to Amy by Ezra Jack Keates
Hi, Cat! by Ezra Jack Keates
Whistle for Willie by Ezra Jack Keates

Ages 3-5

Saturday by Oge Mora
Hair Love by Matthew A. Cherry

Ages 5-8

Each Kindness by Jacqueline Woodson
The Youngest Marcher by Cynthia Levinson

Ages 9-12

Resist by Veronica Chambers
Not My Idea: A Book about Whiteness by Anastasia Higginbotham

Ages 12 and up

The New Jim Crow by Michelle Alexander
Something Happened in Our Town: A Child's Story About Racial Injustice by Marianne Celano, Marietta Collins, and Ann Hazzard
Killing Rage by Bell Hooks
All American Boys by Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely
Stamped by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi
So You Want to Talk About Race by Ijeoma Oluo
Citizen: An American Lyric by Claudia Rankine
Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria? by Beverly Daniel Tatum

Podcasts

1619 presented by The New York Times
Black History in Two Minutes
Code Switch presented by NPR
Lynching in America presented by Equal Justice Initiative
Hidden Brain: The People Like Us presented by NPR
Snap Judgment: Thick Blue Line presented by WNYC Studios
Throughline: American Police presented by NPR
Throughline: Mass Incarceration presented by NPR
White Lies presented by NPR

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Articles

“Police Brutality and Black Health: Setting the Agenda for Public Health,” Am J Public Health, May 2017, pp. 662-665 (by Sirry Alang, Donna McAlpine, Ellen McCreedy, PhD, and Rachel Hardeman)

“Why Police Kill Black Males with Impunity: Applying Public Health Critical Race Praxis (PHCRP) to Address the Determinants of Policing Behaviors and “Justifiable” Homicides in the USA,” J Urban Health, April 2016, pp. 122-140 (by Keon L. Gilbert and Rashawn Ray)