

Still today in the year 2020 black people are stereotyped, discriminated, criminalized and we go through a lot of racism and are stripped of a lot of opportunities. The U.S. is owned and run by majority white people. America has made a lot of changes with equal rights compared to the past, there is still a lot that needs to be done for black people to feel safe and equal in this country even after years of trying to make change.. you can easily see the difference in living conditions, the treatment and opportunities given between African Americans and White Americans. "Oppression" is malicious or unjust treatment or exercise of power, often under the disguise of governmental authority. The BLM movement which expanded in 2014 after the police killings of two unarmed Black men, Eric Garner and Michael Brown was for people to care.. Human beings since the beginning of time have understood the concept of racial solidarity but yet decides to ignore it. Racial oppression is a direct consequence of a superior race. Racial oppression is the act of power that causes the state of being to feel heavily exploited. There are two types of racial oppression that are not commonly well known of, institutionalized and internalized. Institutionalized oppression is expressed when a group of people based on their race has a different chance of opportunity. Racial oppression is characterized by the majority, or the ruling race, imposing its beliefs, values, and laws on the minority, or the ruled race.

Equality

Black Lives Matter Movement

BLM focuses on the inequality of African Americans in the U.S. BLM is for the white folk to understand that us black folk are equal. We are all equal just in a different skin, we deserve change, we deserve equal opportunities but what we will not stand for is racism of any kind.



The broader movement and its related organizations typically advocate against police violence towards black people as well as for various other policy changes considered to be related to black liberation.

The New Negro by Alain Locke

An article that mentioned to us how opportunity was never just given to people of color (African Americans) mainly and actually how much harder we had to work in order to gain most of these opportunities. White people were almost just given these opportunities rather than having to actually work for them as much as black people worked.

“The Negro community revealed themselves, suppressed for generations under stereotypes, being secretive, and half-ashamed, until the courage of being natural brought them out.”

- Alain Locke

Ending Racial Profiling

When black folk outside we are discriminated by our skin color. Racial profiling is huge, while law enforcement accesses a description of a suspect and begin to stop every black person that they believe looks like the next in order to catch their actual suspect is wrong.

Black folk are already scared of cops, when we are stopped by one just knowing we did nothing we then become scared for our lives and tend to panic, which then may lead to being seriously injured for something we know nothing about or injured because we were scared for our lives. **We as black folk see what happens when we encounter a racist cops.**

There is No Way like the American Way

Based on the image it shows the viewer that for a happier life you have to be white, while the white people on the billboard were driving a car with big smiles on their faces, in front of the painting stood a line of black people that under it looking depressed and miserable while waiting for food. This image told me even just by the title that there are more opportunities given when you are of white skin color.



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Women's Suffrage Movement

Opportunity has always been limited to people with different races and genders. It is obvious how white men had more opportunity than black men and women. For example, during the Women's Suffrage movement Black women were disenfranchised from voting. Black women ended up having to fight to keep their rights to vote when actually able, because white women only cared about their own rights and dismissed the rights of all women.



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Systematic Racism

The fight for equality is also a fight for equal opportunity, this is because opportunity cannot be active in america when half of america is excluded from these certain opportunities especially when it comes to race and gender.

Within our justice system today, when you look for diversity, you see more white people hired than black people as officers. A lot of these white folks were raised to be racist or there was something that happened to them in a early point in their lives that force them to have a certain hate towards black people. The majority black people have been stopped, arrested and even killed by the hands of police officers who are of white descent.



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Racial oppression in modern day America

Based on the extent of opportunity, opportunity is given mainly to whites by white people. This is because they see themselves as equal because their skin is the same.

When they see successful black people looking for opportunity they look past the success aspect and go off directly by color and mindset.

Today racial oppression has slowed down although it is not completely gone as of 2020 I think instead of getting better it's getting worse.



Equality

Everyone is to be entitled to equal rights, although that may not be the case for black people. It feels as if society is keeping us from equalizing our rights and fighting for equal opportunity. My contemporary issue is most relates to the inequality that black people face on a daily and the amount of years putting up with it trying and asking nicely for equal justice.

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