

# Racial Justice Resources

Below you will find a variety of resources that provide an informative and engaging look into institutional racism, privilege, and the lived experiences of Jews of Color. We invite you to review and reflect on these resources, as well as share and discuss them within your congregations and communities. We encourage you to use these resources to generate thought-provoking discussions and support you in the social justice and antiracism work that lies ahead.



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## Books

*Black White and Jewish*—Rebecca Walker  
*So You Want to Talk About Race*—Ijeoma Oluo  
*Between the World and Me*—Ta-Nehisi Coates  
*The New Jim Crow*—Michelle Alexander  
*Waking Up White*—Debby Irving  
*Bad Feminist*—Roxane Gay  
*Stamped from the Beginning*—Ibram X. Kendi  
*Just Mercy*—Bryan Stevenson  
*The Colors of Jews*—Melanie Kaye/Kantrowitz  
*Black anti-Semitism and Jewish racism*  
—James Baldwin [and others]  
*Invisible Man*—Ralph Ellison  
*The Bluest Eye*—Toni Morrison  
*How Jews Became White Folks and What That Says About Race in America*—Karen Brodtkin  
*The Fire Next Time*—James Baldwin  
*White Fragility*—Robin DiAngelo, PhD  
*Ain't I a Woman*—bell hooks  
*In the Shadow of Race*—Victoria C. Hattam  
*Uprooting Racism*—Paul Kivel  
*Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?*—Beverly Daniel Tatum, PhD  
*To Stand Aside or Stand Alone*—P. Allen Krause

## Articles (can be found online)

*What Does it Mean to 'Code Switch' in Jewish Spaces?*  
—Chris Harrison  
*White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack*  
—Peggy McIntosh  
*Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity: What are They and Why Do They Matter to Us?*—April Baskin  
*Finding My Jewish Soul: A Black Army Veteran's Journey to Judaism*—Bryant Heinzelman  
*Explaining White Privilege to a Broke White Person*  
—Gina Crosley-Corcoran  
*Bagels, Lox, and Grits: Defining My Jewish Identity*  
—Yolanda Savage-Narva  
*Black, Jewish And Avoiding The Synagogue On The High Holy Days*—Leah Donnelly  
*What I Said When My White Friend Asked for My Black Opinion on White Privilege*  
—Lori Lakin Hutcherson  
*After Pittsburgh, is anyone considering Jews of Color?*  
—Ilana Kaufman  
*Ilana Kaufman: black, Jewish and challenging ideas about the face of federation*—Rebecca Spence  
*Privileged*—Kyle Korver



Wholly Jewish, the latest podcast from ReformJudaism.org, explores what it means to be Jewish with multifaceted and diverse identities. Hosted by April Baskin, the URJ's former Vice President of Audacious Hospitality, the first season features members of the JewV'Nation Fellowship's 2018 Jews of Color Leadership Cohort, who share their personal experiences and what it means to be "wholly Jewish." This podcast is available for download at ReformJudaism.org and on iTunes and Android.

### Film/TV

Little White Lie  
The Hate U Give  
Fruitvale Station  
I am Not Your Negro  
BlackKkKlansman  
13th  
Queen Sugar  
Separate But Equal  
Dear White People (Film & Series)  
If Beale Street Could Talk  
Finding Your Roots

### Podcasts

Wholly Jewish, URJ: Season 1 featuring the JewV'Nation Fellowship's Jews of Color Leadership Cohort  
Judaism Unbound: Episode 90, *Audacious Hospitality*—April Baskin and Episode 162, *100% Black, 100% Jewish. 0% Safe.*—MaNishtana  
Code Switch, NPR  
This American Life, NPR: Episodes 362-363 *The Problem We All Live With*  
Race Matters, NPR

### Short Clips/Videos

What is Systemic Racism? (Video Series) by Race Forward  
*How to Overcome our Biases: Walk Boldly Towards Them*—TED talk by Vernā Myers, 2014  
*How to Tell Someone They Sound Racist* by Jay Smooth  
*Let's Get to the Root of Racial Injustice*—TED talk by Megan Ming Francis, 2016  
*5 Tips for Being a Proactive Ally*—by Franchesca Ramsey  
*Practical Diversity: Taking Inclusion from Theory to Practice*—TED talk by Dr. Dawn Bennett-Alexander, 2015

For additional resources, download the Jews of Color Educational Resource Module at [URJ.org/AHResources](https://urj.org/AHResources).