

Racism and slavery in the US further study

1. What do you remember?

What do you remember from the lesson? In the box / in your notebook, write ten words that you connect with the lesson. They can be nouns, adjectives, names, countries, verbs...anything you like, as long as they are connected to the lesson.



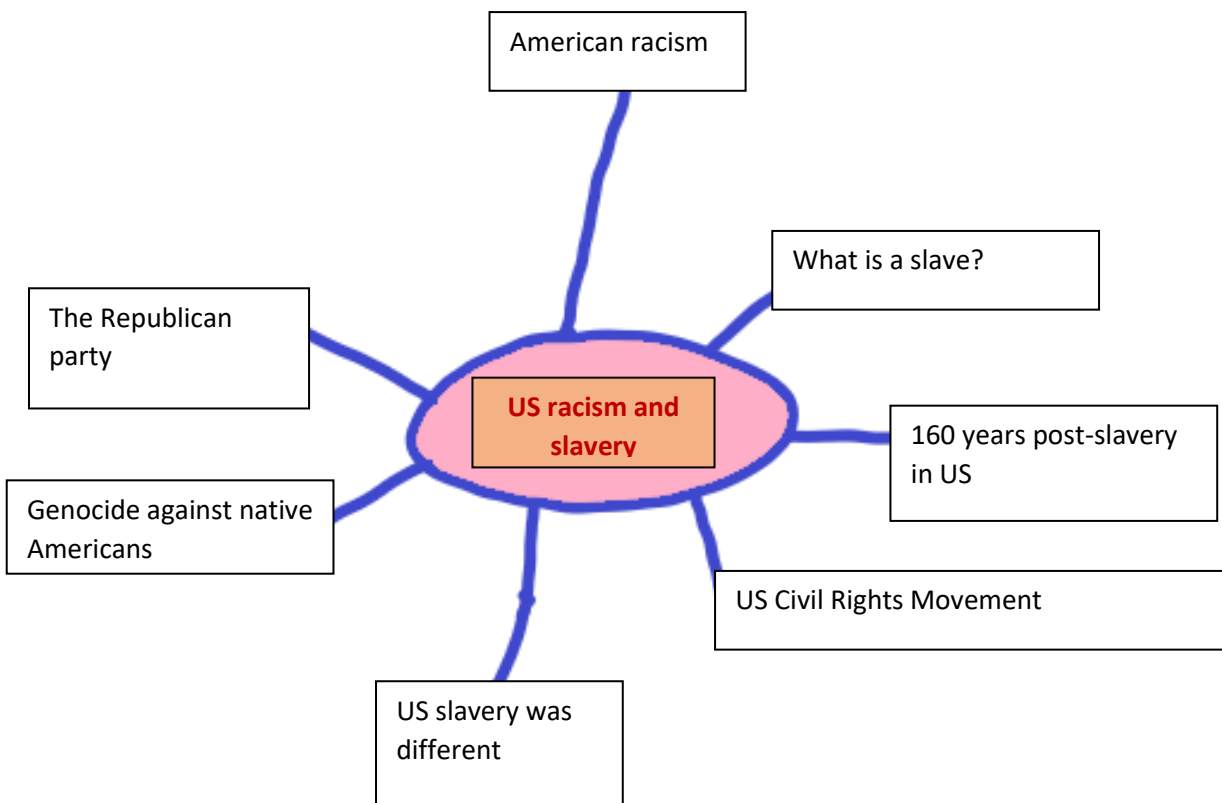
2. Before you watch the film

Before you watch the film, answer the three questions;

1. What is the title of the film?
2. Who is giving the lecture?
3. How long is the film?

3. Note taking

Watch the film. Note down the main ideas, names, themes in the film. An example is given here.



4. Writing task

Explain the main idea that comes to you from the film. Explain it in a way that an eight year old can understand. Here is an example. Use the notes from task 3 if you wish.

US slavery and racism

Slavery is not a new thing – and it is not something which died out one hundred years ago.

US slavery was different to other countries. Upper class white people kept slaves for profit.

The south of the US was where slavery was concentrated.

Slavery officially ended 160 years ago. The problems it created did not disappear 160 years ago. Racism is one of the biggest problems associated with slavery. Racism still exists today.

The US constitution remains the same, but the laws are changing.

5. Links

The film may have stimulated your interest on the wider issues of racism and slavery in history and around the world today. Here are two links on the subject – one with a film to watch, and one with something to read.

Film: The Greensboro lunch counter <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uFQ3ZCAgAA0>

Reading : Native American genocide <https://www.listland.com/10-horrific-facts-native-american-genocide/>

6. Further investigation

You may wish to look further into the subjects, themes and names mentioned in the films. Google, YouTube and Wikipedia are three basic tools to make use of.

Try them with the following key words

Little Rock

cotton plantation

US civil War

Republican party history

1965 immigration law

Goldwater 1964

Research is always better conducted when you have some idea of what you are looking for. Make a list of key words from the lesson and film and use them to conduct some online investigations of your own.