Article 2: "All children have these rights, no matter who they are, where they live, what their parents do, what language they speak ... what their culture is ... No child should be treated unfairly on any basis."





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Be informed.





Parents/Carers & Pupils:

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RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

This lesson works best in "Full Screen" mode – click the icon at the bottom right of your screen or use the "F5" key to start from the beginning. Use the space bar, mouse or arrow keys to click through!

How to use this lesson...

Use these buttons to get the most out of your lesson.



Learning from home?

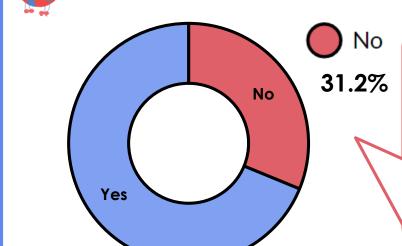
Here are some ideas of how to get the most out of this lesson at home.



Explore the topic with a parent or caregiver: how is their opinion different to yours? Teach a younger sibling or relative about how VotesforSchools works!

In the classroom? Look out for these boxes to see how to make the most of the activities! Parents' & Carers' Note: Please see the Notes section below each slide for any further guidance. **Don't forget to vote...** You can find the link to do this on the final slide. Get your whole household involved!

Feedback: "Do you get enough sleep?"



"I have not been getting nearly as much sleep as I should. Because of quarantine, staying at home for a long time has caused me to change my sleeping cycle ... therefore I have been feeling very grumpy and angry at everyone for almost no reason at all. However, if I try the techniques, I am almost completely sure that I will have a better sleeping cycle." South Grove School

68.8%

Yes

"Sometimes I do but It all depends on what I'm thinking about - if I cant get something upsetting or scary on my mind I can't sleep." St Nicholas CE Primary School "I think this is a very good topic because many children in Year 6, before lockdown, were constantly late night studying for SATs resulting in less sleep." Beam County Primary School

Sleeping differently? You're not the only one! A study found that up to **70% of children under 16 are going to bed later and 57% are also waking later!**





Be informed!

Here's what's been in the news this week...

Endangered seahorses return to UK!







An **endangered species of seahorse** native to the UK has **been spotted in British waters** for the first time in more than two years.

Members of Parliament queued for 90 minutes last week to cast a vote after they were told they could not vote online. Lots of people complained!



Sony delays PS5 announcement



support for recent protests.







MPs queuing to go back to work John Boyega protests

Stars Wars actor John

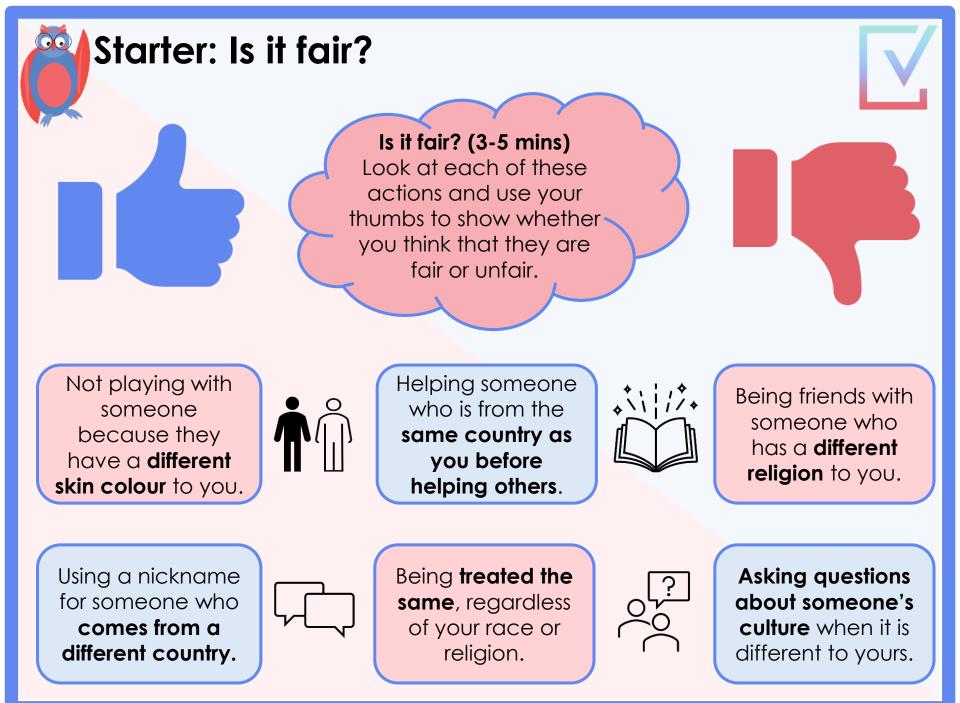
Boyega joined protests in

London last week. You'll

find out more about this in

this lesson!

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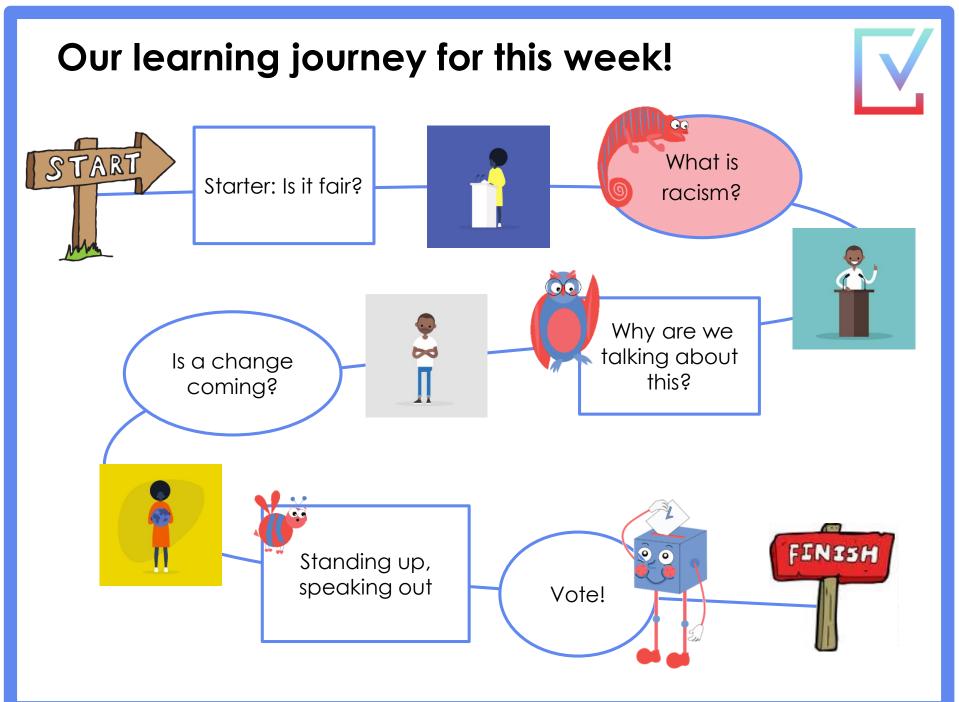


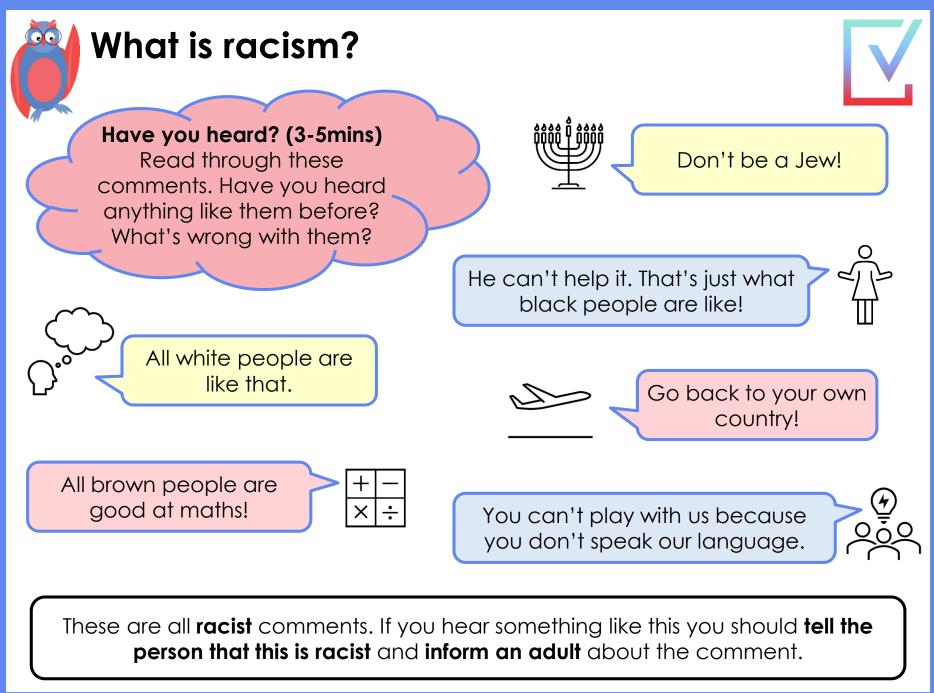
Will the recent anti-racism protests lead to change in the US?



Please Note:

This lesson discusses racism and inequality in America and may be upsetting or unsuitable for some pupils. Please review before use.





What is racism?



Racism is where someone thinks you're not good enough because of your colour, ethnicity, nationality or race. This could mean that they treat you differently (racial discrimination) or bully you because of your race, ethnicity or culture.

As we grow up, we learn from our friends, family and things we see all around us. **If someone sees** or hears racist comments or jokes, they might think that this is normal and start doing it too.



Silent question (1 min)

In your head, think carefully. Have you ever seen behaviour like this? What happened and how did it make you feel? You do not need to share your answer if you don't want to.



What is racism?

Racism is more than just saying upsetting things. When people in a society hold racist views, **it can affect the way the whole country works**. We call this **systemic racism**. Systemic racism can be more difficult to see in person, but there are lots of facts and figures that suggest that it is happening in countries like the US. For example:



Black Americans are 2x more likely to be unemployed than white Americans¹.



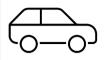
Black Americans are 3x **more likely to be excluded from school** than white Americans².

Only 13% of people in the US are black, yet **40% of the people in prison are black**³.



72% of white Americans own their own house, whereas only 42% of black Americans do⁴.

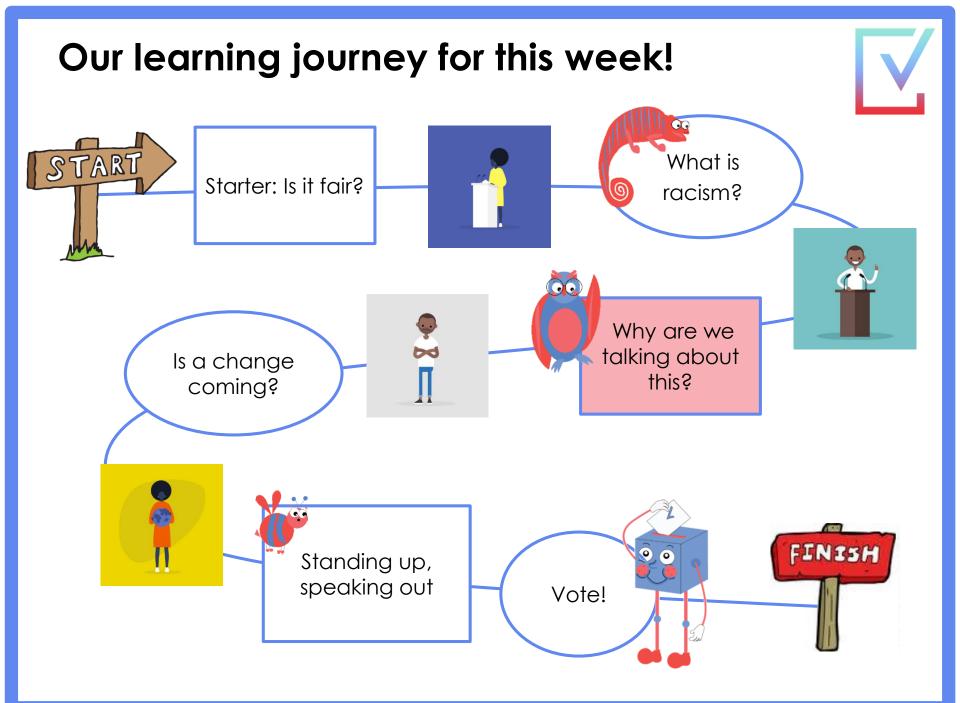




Black Americans are **30% more likely to be** pulled over by the police when driving⁵.

Challenge:

Imagine that you were a black person living in America. How would you feel about these facts? What would you want to happen? Question (1 min) How do these statistics make you feel? Why?



Why are we talking about this?

Recently, there have been **protests across America, in the UK and in other countries** around the world. Many of these have been peaceful, but there have also been fires and violence.





The protests began as a response to **the death of a man named George Floyd** in Minneapolis, a city in the US. A former Minneapolis police officer has been **arrested and charged with murder** over George's death.

Derek Chauvin, who is white, was shown kneeling on George Floyd's neck before he died in a video shared on social media. Since the protests started, he and three other officers have been arrested.



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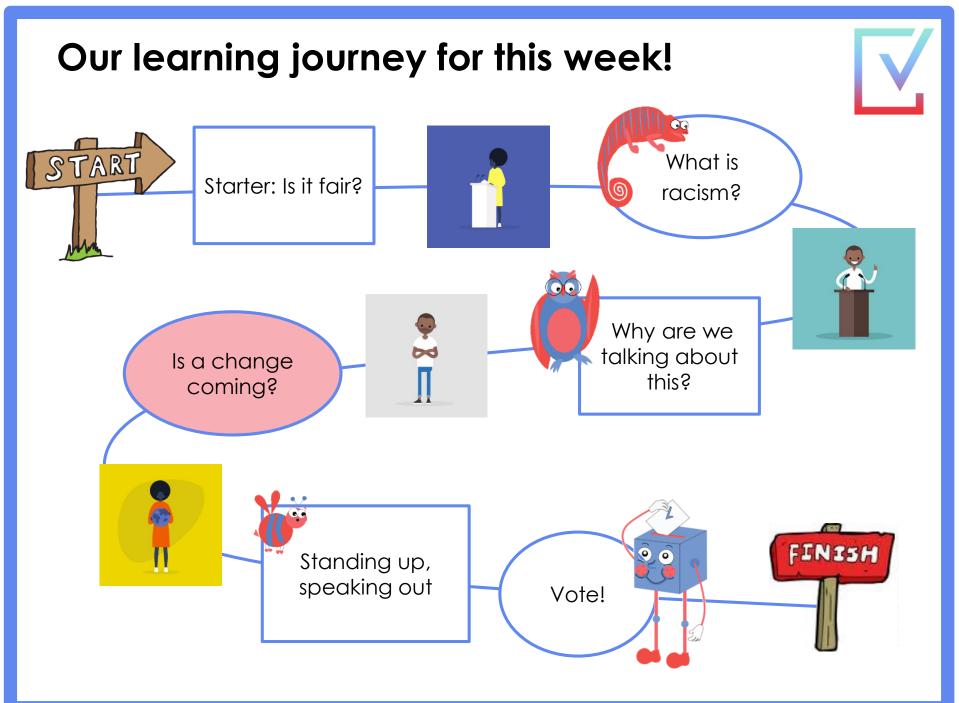
Since George Floyd's death, protests have taken place across lots of other countries¹, even though many of these cities are in lockdown or are practicing social distancing.



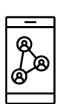


These protests are not the first time the **Black Lives Matter movement** has had to **take to the streets to demand change**. The group was set up in **2013**² and have held many other protests since then.

However, lots of people feel like **this time will be different** – that more people are taking notice and understanding the importance of not just being "non-racist" but being "anti-racist". **So will this time finally bring an end to racism?**



As you've seen, many people have said that the **protests that are happening after the death of George Floyd are different to past protests** about racism. But what exactly is different, and **is it enough** to lead to a change in the US?



 Is a change coming? (10-15 mins)

 Over the next few slides you are going to learn more about the protests that have been happening around the world. For each slide, decide how likely you believe it is that this will create change in America.

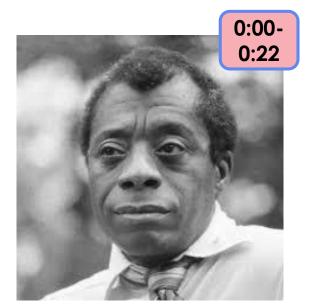
 Does this show change could be happening?

 Not at all

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Black people in America have been **fighting against racism for hundreds of years**, and yet it still exists. Changes have happened, but they have often been **very slow**. For example, Martin Luther King Jr started **fighting for equality over 50 years ago, but the struggle is still** happening today.



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Watch (1 min) Watch the clip of James Baldwin talking about the fight for equality in the US from over 30 years ago. Then, answer these questions.

How was James **feeling** in this video?

Do you think James **would say the same thing today**? Why/why not?

Does this show change could be happening?

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Not at all

Anti-racism protests aren't only happening in America – they're happening across the whole world.



This means that **many more people are learning about racism** and are **taking a stand** against it.

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Does this show change could be happening?

Not at all

Despite protests starting peacefully, a few have turned violent, with buildings being set on fire and shops being looted.

Looting: Stealing from shops during a violent event.





Other reports say that protests only became violent after police officers tried to stop them from happening, or that violence was started by non-protesters. However, it is impossible to know the truth.

Does this show change could be happening?

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Not at all

Influential figures, such as footballers & singers, and companies have spoken out about it, which has helped spread awareness.





It has also been discussed on TV shows, radio channels and across vlogs, making it the most talked about topic in the last few weeks.

Challenge: Have you seen or heard anyone speaking about racism recently?

Does this show change could be happening?

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Not at all





However, many people are angry and feel that the American Government is not doing enough to tackle racism in America³. With protests turning dangerous, US President Donald Trump said he was "sickened" by the death of George Floyd and that "justice will be served¹".

He also said he would be sending the army in to end violent protests¹, and tweeted that he had done more for Black Americans than most other presidents³.

Does this show change could be happening?Not at allDefinitely12345678910

Social media has been more involved than ever before, with billions of people from all different races supporting the protests and standing up for the rights of black people.

Last week, there were over 19 million posts on Instagram using the hashtag #BlackLivesMatter and more than 4 billion views on TikTok.

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#blackouttuesday

#blacklivesmatter

28.5M posts

4.2B views

And on Tuesday 2nd June, more than 20 million people took part in an online "blackout" to show that they supported the protests.

Does this show change could be happening?

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Not at all

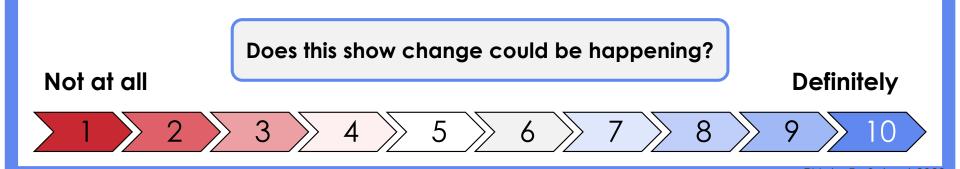


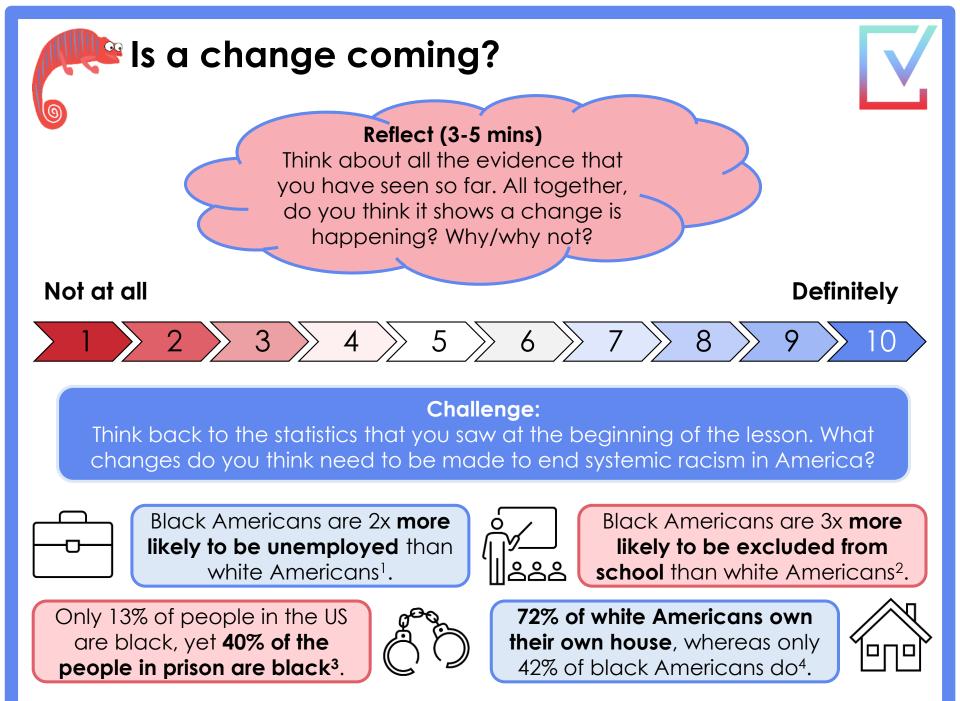
A petition was started on change.org demanding justice for George; it wants to make sure the police officers that were involved are arrested and taken to court.

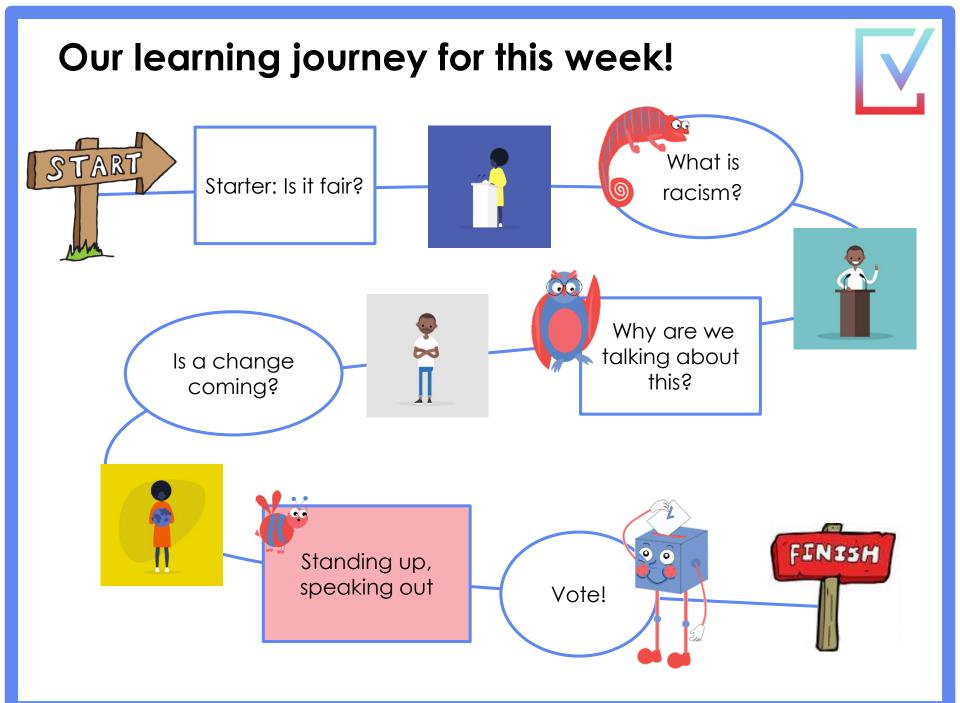
15,177,649 have signed. Let's get to 16,500,000!



This petition had over 15 million signatures last week, and is the biggest petition that change.org has ever had.











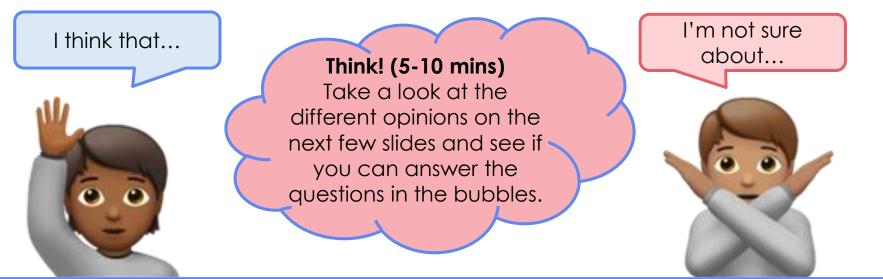








As you've already seen, more people than ever are standing up and speaking out against racism in America and in their own countries... but what's being said?





Clara Amfo BBC Radio 1 Host

Events like this make me and other black people feel like you want our culture but you don't want us. If you enjoy our culture, you must stand up for our rights too.

> **Culture:** The way of life of a group of people.



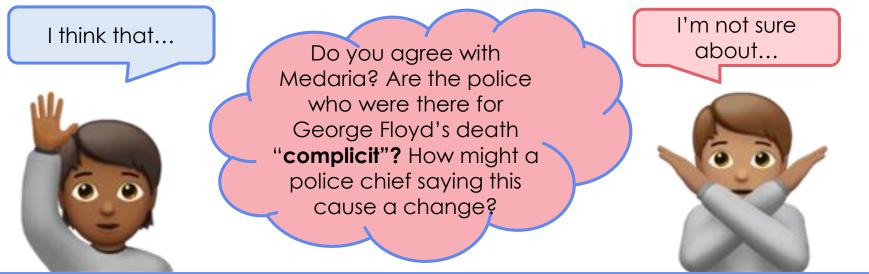


Medaria Arradondo, Chief of the Minneapolis Police

What happened to Mr Floyd was wrong. There were three other officers there that didn't stop it from happening, so they're complicit too.

Complicit: Involved in/knowing a crime is happening.



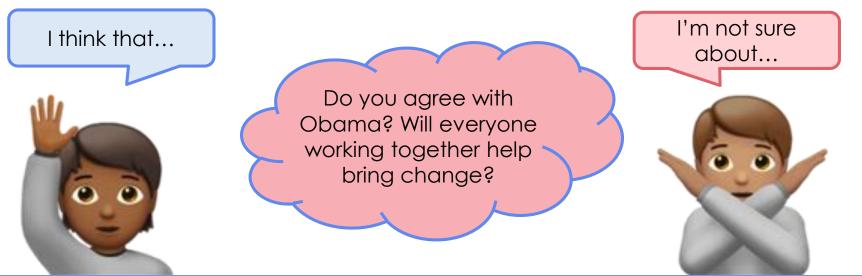




Barack Obama, Former President of the United States

Watching everyone, of every race, protest makes me hopeful. We need to turn our anger into peaceful action and change to make our country better.





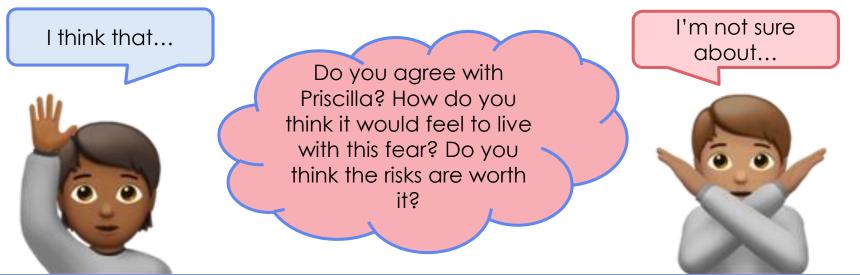
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Standing up, speaking out

Priscilla Borker, Social Worker at the Brooklyn demonstrations in New York

Coronavirus might kill us, but even if it doesn't the police might. Or losing our jobs and having no money might... So we need to take the risk.



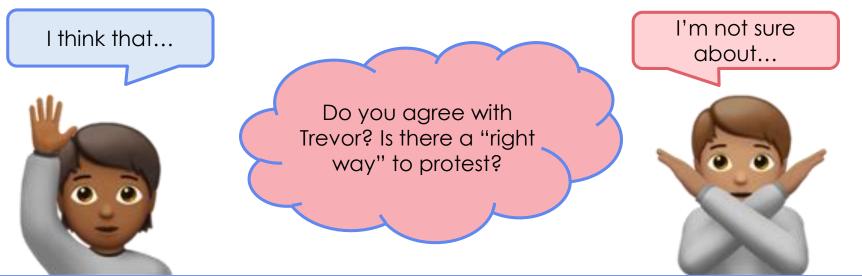


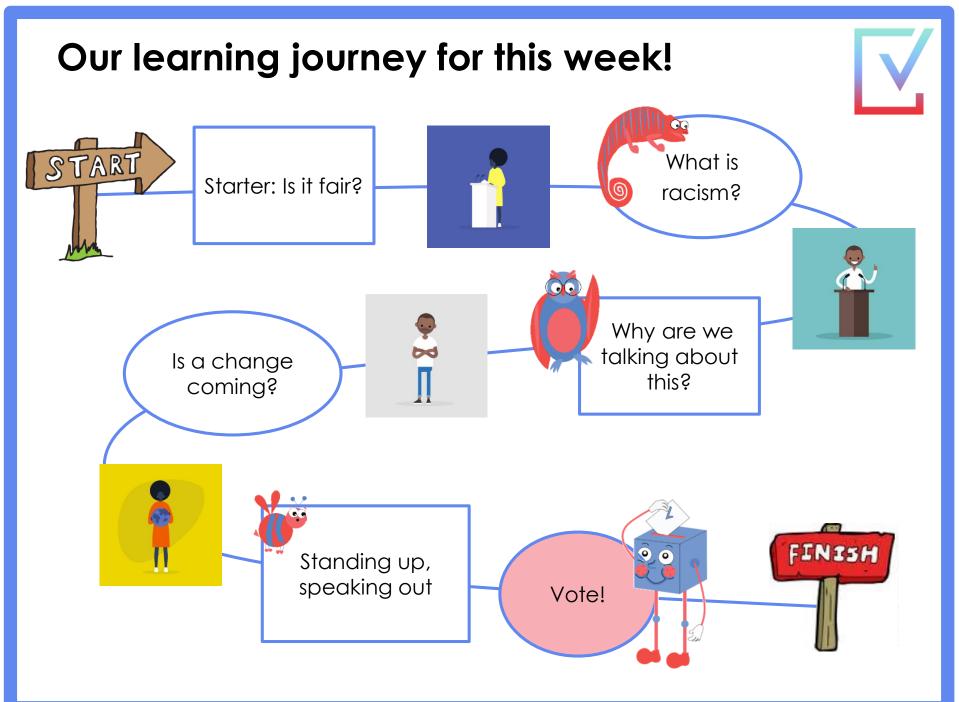


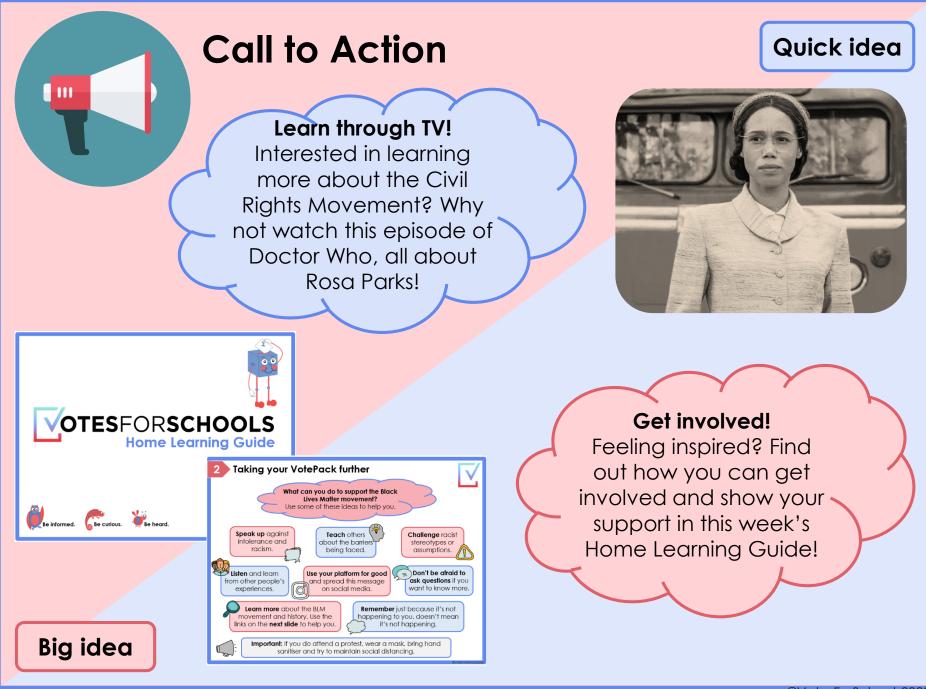
Trevor Noah Host of US TV series the Daily Show

People say that this isn't the way to protest, but what is the right way? There is no "right way" to protest because you are against the system.









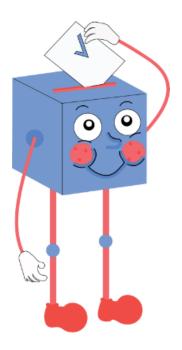
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	Yes		No
•	The world's reaction to what happened to George Floyd shows that racism will not be accepted anymore.	•	Black people are still treated differently in many ways, so we've got a lot more to do more to end racism.
•	This protest is bigger and stronger than ever before, with people all over the world taking part. If everyone stands up, there will be no space for racism.	•	History shows that black people have been protesting for equal rights for many years – this protest helps but we still have a long way to go.
•	Peaceful protests haven't worked in the past, but this protest is louder and won't stop until change happens.		Breaking things and setting fires won't help end racism. We need to educate people and teach them why racism is wrong.



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