

# Diverse curriculum materials

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## General resources for teachers

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### Open Learn

Free online courses from the Open University.

- [Race, Ethnicity and Crime](#)
- [Modern Slavery](#)
- [“Problem Populations” and “Problem Places”](#)
- [Social Problems: Who Makes Them?](#)
- [Open Yale course - African American History from Emancipation to the Present](#)

### Respect Me

A guide on challenging racism by the Scottish Government, the Coalition for Racial Equality and Rights and the Respect Me anti-bullying service.

- [Challenging racism in schools](#)

### The Black Curriculum

The Black Curriculum provides curriculum resources for KS2 – 4 that are aligned with the national curriculum. Subscription required.

They have also written a report on the National Curriculum.

- [Learning Resources — The Black Curriculum](#)
- [The Black Curriculum Research Review](#)

### National Education Union (NEU)

A guide and resources for developing an anti-racist curriculum, including a charter.

- [NEU anti-racism charter](#)

### BAMEed Network

A network for teachers and educators, providing support and resources.

- [BAMEed Network website](#)

### Diverse Educators

A network providing support for teachers including online events.

- [Diverse Educators](#)

### Equaliteach

- [Free resources for equality, diversity and inclusion in schools](#)

## The Economist Education Foundation: Talk topics

- [Topical Talk](#)

## Information for parents

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## Yoopies

A Parent's Guide to Black Live Matters: Resources, activities, and tips for families to empower children to work towards racial equality.

- [Parent's Guide](#)

## Today.com

An article on how to talk to children about racism, protests and injustice. This article is from an American news website.

- [How to talk to children about racism](#)

## National Geographic

An article on how to talk to children about race. This article is from an American website.

- [Talking to children about race](#)

## BBC

An article on how to talk to children about racism.

- [BBC article about racism](#)

## The Children's Community School

Resources on social justice from an American independent school.

- [Social Justice Resources](#)

## CBeebies

Short videos providing guidance on how to discuss Black history with children.

- [CBeebies Black History videos](#)

## UNICEF

Guidance from the United Nations children's agency on how to discuss racism with children.

- [UNICEF guidance](#)

## History resources

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### Windrush video

Powerful film, made by Luton's very own Lloyd Denny and Dennis Riley of Don1 Media and funded by BLCF, about Windrush and the Windrush Scandal. It contains high quality original footage and interviews and would enhance Black History Month in October, and any history, politics or sociology curriculum,

- [Windrush & the Windrush Scandal](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-GQJmBhBd8w) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-GQJmBhBd8w>)

### The Runnymede Trust

A guide to assist history teachers in developing materials to illustrate the impact that migration and ethnicity have had on how different histories develop and the effect of these themes on the historical story of Britain.

The Runnymede Trust also provides general teaching resources focussing on inclusion and teaching diversity through history.

- [Making British Histories](#)
- [Teach Diversity Through History](#)
- [Runnymede Trust Education publications](#)

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**The Economist Education Foundation:** [Topical Talk](#) often release a teaching pack for Black History Month at the end of September each year, and have many more useful educational resources:

- [Black History Month: celebrating black innovation](#)
- [Black History Month: let's talk about racial inequality](#)
- [The transatlantic slave trade](#)

Short videos on iconic Black Women are at the bottom of the webpage. Videos include Olive Morris, Mary Seacole, Fanny Eaton and Lilian Bader.

- [The Black Curriculum](#)

## BBC

A range of resources for primary and secondary schools to support the teaching of Black History.

- [BBC Black History Resources](#)
- [BBC Harriet Tubman video](#)
- [CBBC - Mary Seacole](#)
- [BBC Rosa Parks video](#)
- [BBC Bitesize The Civil Rights Movement in America](#)

## Teachers

A vast resource bank developed by teachers as part of a teaching Black Tudors collaboration. Includes resources and lesson plans. This link works best when copied and pasted into your browser.

- [KS3 Black History Google Drive](#)

## 100 Great Black Britons

A range of useful learning resources to help teachers and parents. These lessons and activities can be used to teach students about subject areas covered in KS1, KS2, KS3 and KS4.

- [100 Great Black Britons](#)

Black History 4 Schools

Blackhistory4schools is dedicated to the promotion of Black and Asian British history in schools. The resources are freely available and cover topics ranging from the Romans to the Windrush.

- [Black presence in Tudor times](#)
- [Transatlantic Slave Trade and Abolition of slavery](#)
- [Black presence in the 18th and 19th century](#)
- [Black presence in the 20th century](#)
- [South Africa](#)

## SchoolHistory.co.uk

An online library of resources linked to Black History. Sections include the treatment of the enslaved and civil rights.

- [School History slavery resources](#)
- [Black History Civil Rights](#)

## The Black Cultural Archives

Workshops from the only national heritage centre dedicated to collecting, preserving and celebrating the histories of African and Caribbean people in Britain.

- [Black Cultural Archives Learning Resources](#)

## The National Archives

This resource is designed to support the discovery of documents relating to black British history within The National Archives' collections.

- [National Archives Black British History collection](#)

## Recovered Histories

Narratives of people involved in the slave trade of the 18th and 19th centuries, taken from the collection of Anti-Slavery International. There are special presentations on topics like the Middle Passage and Revolts, which are well-illustrated with eyewitness accounts.

- [Recovered Histories](#)

## The King Institute

A range of resources about the Civil Rights movement and Black History.

- [King Institute Resources](#)

## Luton Education Service

Timeline of significant events in Black History. A second version is available with links to the National Curriculum.

- [General Timeline](#)
- [General Timeline with curriculum links](#)

## The Runnymede Trust

Report on a teaching project about the 1947 partition.

- [Runnymede How to Teach the History of Partition](#)

## Collaborative Learning

A range of activities on Black history to encourage collaborative learning. Some may need updating. Some include upsetting images linked to context.

- [Collaborative learning resources](#)

## Black Lives Matters resources

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## The Red Cross

Resources written in response to the death of George Floyd. Learners will reflect and listen to other's experience as they explore the people behind the news.

- [Red Cross BLM resources](#)

## TED Talks

A series of TED talks about race in America.

- [TED Talks Race in America](#)

## Black History 365

A range of articles celebrating significant 'firsts' and role models within Black History.

- [Great Black Britons](#)

## Tom Marshall

A PowerPoint of images showing Black Britons by Tom Marshall.

- [Black Britain in Colour](#)

## Teaching resources for other subjects

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## The British Museum

PowerPoints to support teaching linked to African Art and Design. Suitable for 7 – 11 year olds.

- [British Museum African Art](#)

## Kick it out

Kick It Out produces a number of toolkits and resources for initiatives, events or training promote equality and inclusion, and raise awareness of discrimination in football and wider society.

- [Kick it Out Learn resources](#)

## Teachwire

A drama lesson inspired by Floella Benjamin.

- [Teachwire Drama Lesson](#)

## BFI

A new collection of classroom resources that explore race and representation on screen. For use in Primary to Key Stage 5 classrooms.

- [BFI resources](#)

## Institute of Race Relations

Struggles For Justice is a free, downloadable teaching resource that allows pupils to think about and debate contemporary issues that are part of the Citizenship Curriculum at Key Stages 3 and 4 by examining historical events that have raised similar issues.

- [IRR resources](#)

## The British Library

The British Library has a number of articles and other resources on a range of representations in children's literature.

- [Black presence in children's books](#)
- [Changing the world and children's' books](#)
- [Family and belonging in children's books](#)

# Gypsy, Roma and Traveller resources

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## Friends, Families and Travellers

A booklet connected to the performance 'Crystal's Vardo'. The booklet includes more general resources including a timeline.

- [Crystal's Vardo resources](#)

## The Traveller Movement with Twinkl

An assembly pack to support teaching linked to Gypsy, Roma and Traveller month (June).

- [Gypsy Roma Traveller Month resources](#)

## Romany Theatre Company

Lesson plans and resources that cover nine key themes, including identity, discrimination and homes.

- [Romany Theatre Company resources](#)

## The Roma Support Group

Videos and audio recordings from the Roma community about their experiences and lives. The website includes learning materials.

- [Roma Oral History](#)

## The Holocaust Memorial Day Trust

Information about the genocide of Roma and Sinti people during the Holocaust. KS3/4.

- [Roma and Sinti Holocaust information](#)

## The Travellers Times

A short film called 'Roads to the Past' to introduce Gypsy, Roma and Traveller history with accompanying education pack. The website contains wider information resources. KS2/3.

- [Roads to the Past](#)
- [Roads to the past education pack](#)

## Centre for Holocaust Education

A comprehensive, illustrated history of the Roma Genocide designed to support teachers' subject knowledge.

- [Subject Knowledge on Roma Genocide](#)

## East Sussex Council

Lesson materials for a range of subjects focussing on Gypsy, Roma and Traveller heritage and culture. Follow the links on the webpage for subject specific resources.

- [Gypsy, Roma and Traveller resources](#)

## LGBTQ+ resources

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## Stonewall

A comprehensive set of resources including LGBT history, art and wider toolkits to support awareness of LGBT issues. Some resources require membership.

- [Stonewall resources](#)

## Schools Out

Resources and guidance to support equality for LGBT people within education.

- [Schools out resources](#)

## Amnesty International

Resource packs to support teachers explore the human rights and teach children and young people to celebrate diversity and use positive language.

- [Amnesty resources](#)

## Films and documentaries

*Please note that Luton Council cannot be held responsible for the content of external websites.*

It is strongly advised that teachers watch the films/documentaries before recommending them to students. Some films are only available on streaming websites. Film certifications are provided by the BBFC website. Documentaries and television programmes are not certified in the same way and teachers must check the programme is suitable for their class.

## Mudbound (Dee Rees)

(15) US historical drama in which two families live side-by-side on a farm in rural Mississippi. Very strong language, very strong violence, nudity.

## The Death and Life of Marsha P. Johnson (David France)

(15) A re-examination of the death of Marsha P Johnson, a transgender woman found floating in a river.

## If Beale Street Could Talk (Barry Jenkins)

(15) Romance drama based on James Baldwin's novel. A young women seeks to clear the name of her lover prior to the birth of their child. Very strong language, strong sexual content.

## Becoming (Nadia Hallgren)

(PG) Documentary about Michelle Obama.

## Homecoming (Beyoncé Knowles)

Documentary/concert video about Beyoncé Knowles.

## Just Mercy (Destin Daniel Cretton)

(12A) Drama focussing on lawyer Bryan Stevenson as he tries to defend a man accused of murder. Based on a memoir.

## Moonlight (Barry Jenkins)

(15) A coming of age drama about a young man coming to grips with his identity and sexuality. Strong language, sex, drug use.

## Black America Since MLK: And Still I Rise (Henry Louis Gates)

Documentary/mini-series charting one man's journey through the last fifty years of African American history.

## The Black Godfather (Reginald Hudlin)

Documentary focussing on the life of music executive Clarence Avant.

## Back in Time for Brixton (BBC)

A Black British family go back in time in this documentary about the choices, challenges and excitement facing the Windrush generation.

## 13th (Ava DuVernay)

Documentary exploring the history of racial inequality in the United States, in particular within the prison population.

## The Two Killings of Sam Cooke (Kelly Duane)

(12) An investigation into the killing of Sam Cooke.

## When They See Us (Ava DuVernay)

(15) Mini-series focussing on the arrest and conviction of five young men following a sexual assault.

## Flint Town (Drea Cooper, Zackary Canepari, Jessica Dimmock)

(15) Documentary covering the Flint water crisis and the wider impact of poverty on an urban area.

## Time: Khalief Browder story (Jenner Furst)

Documentary/mini-series about the life of Khalief Browder who was wrongfully imprisoned without being convicted of a crime.

## Hidden Figures (Theodore Melfi)

(PG) A drama, based on true events, about a group of African-American women who were hired by NASA for their skills in mathematics to be a part of America's space programme in the 1960s.

## Whose Streets? (Sabaah Foleyan and Damon Davis)

Documentary about the killing of Michael Brown and the Ferguson uprising.

## I Am Not Your Negro (Raoul Peck)

(12A) A documentary, based on the writings of James Baldwin that explores the historical issue of racial discrimination and violence in the United States.

## Black and British: A forgotten History (BBC)

Historian David Olusoga explores the enduring relationship between Britain and people whose origins lie in Africa.

## Injustice (Ken Faro and Tariq Mehmood)

Documentary exploring the deaths of young black men in custody in Britain.

## The autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman (John Korty)

(12A) A woman retells her life story from her enslaved childhood to becoming a civil rights activist.

## Stephen Lawrence: The murder that changed a nation (BBC)

A three part series that explores the investigation of the murder of Stephen Lawrence.

## It's time for change in the US (James Corden)

Monologue written and presented by James Corden, delivered at the time of the civil unrest in response to the death of George Floyd. Available on YouTube.

## The African Americans: Many Rivers to Cross (Louis Gates Jr)

Documentary series exploring Black history America from the slave trade to the first black president. Amazon Prime.

## LA 92 (Daniel Lindsay and T. J. Martin)

Documentary about the 1992 riots in Los Angeles following the death of Rodney King. Netflix.

## What Happened, Miss Simone? (Liz Garbus)

Biography of the singer Nina Simone. Netflix.

## Strong Island (Yance Ford)

A documentary investigating the murder of the director's brother. Netflix.

## The Loving Story (Nancy Buirski)

Documentary that inspired the film Loving (12A) focussing on a mixed-race marriage in America and the trial to have the marriage recognised.

## Teach Us All (Sonia Lowman)

A documentary and social justice campaign on educational inequality set against the backdrop of the 1957 Little Rock school crisis.

## The Hate U Give (George Tillman Jr)

(12A) A US drama in which a teenage girl is drawn into activism after she witnesses the murder of her friend by a white police officer.

## Akala speaks at the Oxford Union

Rapper and performance poet Akala speaks at the Oxford Union.

- [Akala at Oxford Union](#)

## Reni Eddo Lodge Interview

Krishan Guru-Murthi interviews Reni Eddo Lodge on race, social injustice and quotas.

- [Reni Eddo Lodge interview](#)

## Blue Eyes/Brown Eyes from The Oprah Winfrey Show

Available on YouTube. An anti-racism experiment filmed in 1992.

## Black to Life: Rethinking the Black Presence within British History (BBC)

Director Akinola Davies unearths forgotten Black British histories in this visually compelling series.

- [Black to Life](#)

## Reading Lists

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## Luton Education Service

A compilation of various booklists with summaries and suggested age ranges.

- [Diverse Booklist](#)

## BookTrust

A series of resources including booklists focussing on diversity in children's literature.

- [Book Trust diversity report](#)
- [Picture books](#)
- [Middle grade books](#)
- [Teen books](#)

## Centre for Literacy in Primary Education

Reports exploring representation in children's literature and reading lists of various themes connected to diversity and identity.

- [Book lists | Centre for Literacy in Primary Education](#)
- [CLPE Reflecting Realities November 2020](#)
- [CLPE Reflecting Realities November 2021](#)
- [CLPE Reflecting Realities November 2022](#)

## Books for Social Justice

This American website includes recommendations for books centred on the theme of social justice.

- [Social Justice Books](#)

## National Literacy Trust

The NLT have curated a series of booklists for members. A subscription is required for some booklists.

- [NLT booklists](#)

## Lovereading4kids

A blog post including 80 recommended reads for a more diverse library.

- [Lovereading4kids blog](#)

## Poets.org

A reading list of 12 poets for Black History month. Most suitable for secondary schools.

- [12 poets for Black History Month](#)

## Podcasts

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## New York Times

An audio series on how slavery has transformed America, connecting past and present through the oldest form of storytelling.

- [New York Times Podcast](#)

## BBC World Service: Witness History

Interviews with people who were there at key moments in black and civil rights history.

- [Witness History Podcasts](#)

## Malcolm Gladwell

This podcast talks about the importance of hiring black teachers where black children are taught and how schools can support the achievements of black students.

- [Malcolm Gladwell Podcast](#)

## Blacticulate

Young UK Black professionals discuss how they do what they do, so you can too.

- [Blacticulate](#)

## General Articles and online texts

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## The Guardian

Various articles on race, colonialism and history. A sign-in or subscription may be required.

- [Colonial History and curriculum](#)
- [Calls grow for black history to be taught to all English school pupils](#)
- [Black Lives Matter Article](#)
- [Evidence of everyday bias article](#)

## ITV

An article on growing calls to teach Black History.

- [Teach Black History ITV article](#)

## BBC

This article considers the impact of the Macpherson report following the death of Stephen Lawrence.

- [Impact of Macpherson report](#)

## The Conversation

An article on institutional racism in universities.

- [Institutional Racism](#)

## Teen Vogue

Various articles about racism, including those focussing on celebrities.

- [Teen Vogue articles about racism](#)

## A Black Presence

Various articles on centuries of Black presence in the UK.

- [Black Presence Articles](#)

## Mental Health Resources

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## Mental Health Foundation

Guidance and resources to support mental health within BAME communities.

- [Mental Health Foundation Resources](#)

## Mind UK

Resources from mental health charity Mind with a focus on young black men.

- [Mind resources](#)

## Young Minds

Links to guidance on racism and mental health.

- [Racism and mental health](#)

## BBC

A short clip exploring mental health within the BAME community.

- [BBC mental health clip](#)