

Lesson 3: What is Race? What is Ethnicity?

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**The Concept Of Race Is Not
Actually Based On Science, It Is
A Creation Of Society**

What We Are Covering Today!



01 Race

02 Categories

03 Ethnicity

04 History

Racial Categories in the United States

Brown

Indigenous

• • • Biracial

• • • Multiracial

• • • Folx: the people that make up a category

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Ethnicity vs Race

Unlike race, which specifically looks at your physical features, ethnicity zeroes in on your family's cultural and ancestral heritage, like language, traditions, and history, to place you into *categories*.

Examples of Ethnicities:

Japanese American, Caribbean Navajo, Sudanese

Often, where you are from will partly determine your ethnicity

The names for these divisions, as well as the definition of race, have changed, and continue to do so

Seeing how every country has a different way of classifying people shows us that Race and Ethnicity are made up social constructions



RACE IS
THE CHILD
OF
RACISM,
NOT THE
FATHER

Activity - Your Race and Ethnicity

Take a few minutes to reflect

- 1) Open the Google Doc journal provided on Google Classroom
- 2) On this paper, think about yourself and answer a few of these questions:
 - a) What do you know about your racial identity?
 - b) Is this something you and your family/friends have talked about?
 - c) Do you think about your race? (And how often?)
 - d) Do you also think about your ethnic identity?
 - e) Do you feel like your racial identity and ethnic identity or similar? How so?

Takeaways

- Understanding specific race-based vocab words
- Race vs. Ethnicity
- Knowing YOUR racial identity and ethnicity
- Skin color and characteristics

