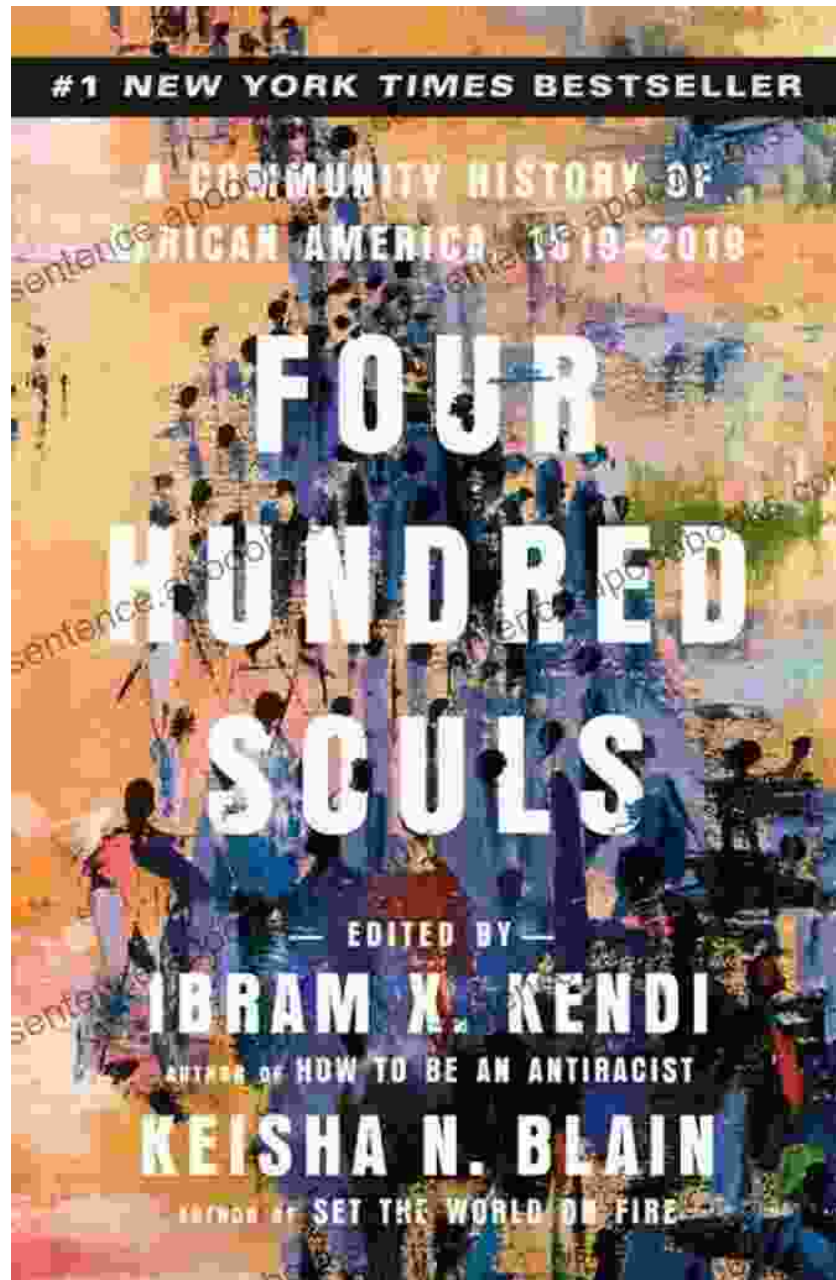
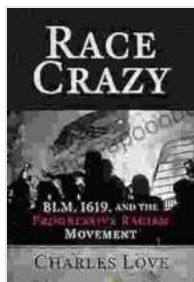


Race Crazy: BLM, 1619, and the Progressive Racism Movement



In the wake of the Black Lives Matter movement and the publication of the 1619 Project, America has been forced to confront its long history of racial

inequality. But what is the root of this inequality? And what can we do to address it?



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In their new book, *Race Crazy: BLM, 1619, and the Progressive Racism Movement*, Ibram X. Kendi and Keisha N. Blain argue that the problem lies in our society's obsession with race. We are constantly categorizing people by race, and we use these categories to make assumptions about their intelligence, their character, and their worth. This obsession with race has created a system of racial inequality that is deeply ingrained in our society.

Race Crazy is a powerful and provocative book that challenges us to rethink our assumptions about race. Kendi and Blain argue that we need to move beyond the idea of race as a biological fact and instead see it as a social construct. We need to stop using race to divide people and start using it to bring people together.

The Problem with Race

Kendi and Blain begin their book by arguing that race is a social construct, not a biological fact. They point out that there is no scientific basis for the concept of race, and that the way we define race has changed over time.

For example, in the 19th century, scientists believed that there were five races: Caucasian, Negroid, Mongoloid, American Indian, and Malay. Today, most scientists believe that there are only two races: white and black.

Kendi and Blain argue that the concept of race is used to justify inequality. They point out that white people have always been the dominant group in American society, and that they have used their power to create a system of laws and institutions that benefit white people and disadvantage people of color. For example, white people have used the concept of race to justify slavery, segregation, and mass incarceration.

The Progressive Racism Movement

Kendi and Blain argue that the progressive racism movement is a continuation of the white supremacist movement. They point out that many of the same people who supported white supremacy in the past now support progressive racism. For example, many white liberals who supported segregation in the 1960s now support affirmative action.

Kendi and Blain argue that progressive racism is just as harmful as white supremacy. They point out that progressive racism creates a false dichotomy between white people and people of color. It suggests that white people are inherently racist, and that people of color are inherently victims. This dichotomy is harmful because it prevents us from having a constructive conversation about race.

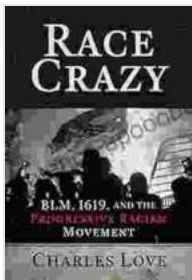
The Way Forward

Kendi and Blain conclude their book by arguing that we need to move beyond the idea of race as a social construct. They point out that race is a

real and lived experience for many people, and that we need to find a way to address the racial inequality that exists in our society.

Kendi and Blain offer a number of suggestions for how we can move beyond race. They suggest that we start by educating ourselves about the history of racism in America. They also suggest that we challenge our own assumptions about race, and that we work to build relationships with people of different races.

Race Crazy is a timely and important book that challenges us to rethink our assumptions about race. Kendi and Blain offer a powerful and provocative analysis of the problem of racial inequality in America, and they provide a number of practical suggestions for how we can move forward.



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