

Discussion Questions

- 1. Kendi provides several definitions to frame his discussion of racism and antiracism. Did any of the definitions stand out to you or challenge you?**
- 2. Kendi discusses the impact and significance of racist policies in Chapter 1. What are some examples of racist policies you've seen?**
- 3. When did you first become aware of race? What were you taught about your own race or other races?**
- 4. Kendi describes the use of racial categories to identify racial inequities and policies. Do you agree it is important to continue to use racial categories?**
- 5. In Chapter 5, Kendi writes, "The face of ethnic racism bares itself in the form of a persistent question: 'Where are you from?'" What were your reactions to this? How do you react when someone asks you that question?**
- 6. On page 76, Kendi writes "Black people are apparently responsible for calming the fears of violent cops...If we don't, then we are blame for our own assaults, our own deaths." What do you think of this statement? How does this concept manifest itself in other situations?**