

Essay Prompts on Racism

Racism as a Theme

Analyze how racism is portrayed in a particular work of literature. How does the author use characters, setting, and plot to expose or challenge racist ideologies?

Character Development and Racism

Discuss how a character's experience with racism shapes their identity, decisions, and worldview.

Language and Racism

Explore how authors use language—such as dialect, slurs, or coded speech—to highlight the presence and impact of racism.

Resistance and Racism

Examine how characters resist or confront racism in a given text. What strategies do they use, and how effective are they?