

Whiteness



This meme refers to Roediger's (DATE) argument that because people who are classified as white do not view themselves as racialized, they often also exempt themselves from having responsibility for the problem of racism. In his work Myrdal (1962) argues that the supposed "negro problem" in the United States was in fact a white problem. He argued that the problems faced by people of colour are in large part constructed by white people. The obstacles constructed for people of colour by white people remain invisible to most white people because their privilege allows them to ignore them. As such, many white people do not consider the ways that white people protecting systems of white supremacy (knowingly or unknowingly) oppress people of colour.