Activity 1: Warm Up

What is the difference between a “good” question and a “bad” question?

- Do you believe that there is such a thing as a “dumb” question?
- Explain your response.

Activity 2:

DIRECTIONS: Look at the picture below. Take 3 minutes to brainstorm as many questions as you can about this picture.
Step 1: Follow the rules

- Ask as many questions as you can
- Do not stop to discuss, judge, or answer
- Record exactly as stated
- Change statements into questions

Write your questions below:

Step 2: Categorize question from open ended to close ended

- Open ended: require longer explanation (Use O for open)
- Close ended: answer with yes or no (Use C for closed)
Step 3: Prioritize your questions

- Number each question in order of importance
- What could you use these questions for?

Step 4: Reflection: Rate your understanding of the process

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Activity 3:

DIRECTIONS: As you read, mark the places in the text where you want to know more information. You can highlight, underline, circle or otherwise annotate the text.

Pentagon releases UFO videos for the record
28 April 2020

The US Department of Defense has released three declassified videos of "unexplained aerial phenomena".

The Pentagon said it wanted to "clear up any misconceptions by the public on whether or not the footage that has been circulating was real".

The videos had already been leaked in 2007 and 2017.

Two were published by the New York Times, while the third was leaked by an organisation co-founded by former Blink-182 singer Tom DeLonge.

After they were first leaked, some people claimed the videos showed alien unidentified flying objects (UFOs).

What's in the videos?
According to the New York Times, a clip from 2004 was filmed by two navy fighter pilots and shows a round object hovering above the water, about 100 miles (160 km) out into the Pacific Ocean.

Two other videos filmed in 2015 show objects moving through the air, one of which is spinning. In one, a pilot is heard saying: "Look at that thing, dude! It's rotating!"

- The UFO sighting investigated by the police
- UFO 'sighting' becomes legend like King Arthur

In its statement, the Pentagon said: "After a thorough review, the department has determined that the authorised release of these unclassified videos does not reveal any sensitive capabilities or systems, and does not impinge on any subsequent investigations of military air space incursions by unidentified aerial phenomena.

"DOD [Department of Defense] is releasing the videos in order to clear up any misconceptions by the public on whether or not the footage that has been circulating was real, or whether or not there is more to the videos. The aerial phenomena observed in the videos remain characterized as 'unidentified'."

Create 4 questions about this text that you have using the same process as the previous activity.
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If you think racism doesn’t exist
SEPTEMBER 12, 2017 ~ JORDAN WOMACK

So many times I’ve seen people say racism is not an issue anymore. So many times I’ve been told I’m living in the past. So many times I’ve been blown off about it because “it’s 2017 that’s over with.” I’m a young mixed kid who was raised on the southside of Oklahoma City….not a pretty place. My dad died when I was young in a gang related incident, and I have five brothers and sisters with all different dads. I guess you could say I come from a rough family. My grandma took my little brother and I when I was 12. I’m a junior at a rural public school where everyone on my mom’s side of the family has graduated from. I’m focusing on being a physical therapist after high school and furthering my education in sports medicine. I’ve been labeled as many things just because of how I grew up. If you think racism doesn’t haunt this world today, then you have yet to open your eyes to one of America’s underlying issues. I’ve talked to people, even family, who have told me racism is no longer an issue, but they haven’t encountered it first hand like I have.

Growing up my grandma didn’t really talk to me much about race. It was never something we really addressed. But I feel like some of the reasoning behind that is because she is white. If I was white like her, would I even know about the troubles that black people face just because of their skin? I feel as if you can never fully grasp the situation of racism unless you have
experienced it. You feel almost as if you’re a victim of your own skin color. Racism is not something you can hide from, it occurs every day in the places you should feel the safest, one of those being the school system.

I go to a small school. There’s about three black kids in this whole school, so racism has always been a problem here for me. I was in class freshman year when some of my friends and I were just talking about all sorts of stuff like friends do. In that conversation I said “I’m a free man,” but right when I said it, the class was quiet so the teacher heard it. He said “You better thank Abe Lincoln.” My blood got hot quickly after he said that. It replayed in my head, and each time it made me even more mad, but also helpless because I can’t even tell another teacher because no matter what, here the teacher is never wrong. It’s always been an issue here, like I said, but from a teacher… it was crazy. But there’s nothing you can do about it because even if I went to tell somebody nothing would happen. It never does. It really hits you that you can’t hide from racism. Stuff like this can happen anywhere — even with the people that are supposed to protect you.

I was riding in the car with my friend one day. We were on the way back from a Thunder game, and she switched lanes in an intersection and was pulled over. The cop came to the window and asked to see her licence and registration and then looked at me and asked to see my ID. I wasn’t even driving so it seemed really weird to me considering I’m the only black person in the car. So I told him “I wasn’t driving?” and he looked at me again with a serious stare and said, “I know.” He walked back to his car, ran our ID, and came back. He said to my friend he was just going to give her a warning. He hands her her ID back, looks at me, throws my ID to the floorboard in front of me, and walks back to his car. My mind went in circles trying to figure out what just happened. When the people you rely on for safety do this, who are you supposed to trust? This really hit me that even though they are the police I still can face racism.

So one day I was coming home from football practice to take my little brother to his friend’s house. I was on the highway almost home and I looked in my mirror to see flashing red and blue
lights. I pulled over and got my license and stuff out. My heart was racing and I started to sweat. All I could think about was all the cop related brutality lately. When the highway patrol trooper arrived at my window, I looked over to see sunglasses and a bald head. He asked me to step out of my truck, and I asked why. He told me to get out again, so I got out and he asked me to put my hands on the hood. I placed my hands on the hood, and he started searching my truck.

I hope I don't get shot, I thought. My chest tightened up almost making it laborious to catch my breath. I took a few deep breaths trying to calm myself.

I looked over to see him dumping everything in my backpack on the ground. My books. My cleats. And most importantly, the necklace my grandma gifted me for Christmas.

I was so confused about what was going on, I asked him why he was searching me. He didn't say anything back. He finished his search, and ordered me to get back in my truck. I climbed back into the driver’s seat, asked what was going on, and he told me I was speeding and he was going to ticket me for speeding. It was weird because he acted like he didn't just make me get out and search my truck. I ended up getting a $211 ticket for going three over. I was so angry because of my experiences riding with my grandma and getting pulled over for going 20 over and leaving with just a warning. Those experiences were “normal.” She handed the officer her licence and insurance, the officer ran it, came back and said he will just be giving her a warning. We left.

Why the hell does a young black man get searched and ticket, but his very own white grandma gets a warning?

If you think racism doesn't exist today, this should open your eyes to not only what I go through, but what thousands of people face everyday. It can change so much just in your everyday routine because it’s something that weighs upon your mind. It is one of the most overlooked problems in
the U.S. I hope this has opened your eyes to what it's like to be racially preyed on. It's sad to see such hate on anyone because of the color of his or her skin color.

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Go back and categorize your questions as open ended or close ended

Prioritize your questions in order of importance
Reflection: Rate your understanding of the process a second time.

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