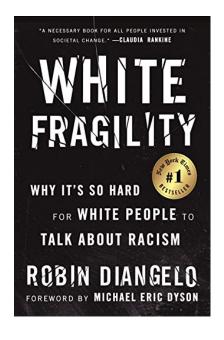
# White Fragility Book Summary (PDF) by Robin DiAngelo

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## Why This Book Matters:

White Fragility assesses the past to create a conclusion about the present difficulties white people face in speaking about racism in America.

### The Big Takeaways:

- 1. Race is biologically inaccurate.
  - If The justification of race as anything more than a social construct is wrong because our physical attributes vary due to the adaptations of our ancestors.
- 2. Race as a social construct can form race as a hierarchy.
  - 1. Our physical differences are used to justify unequal treatment among people.
- 3. Pseudoscience justified the enslavement of African Americans.
  - 1. The proof scientists claimed of African Americans

being inferior to their European American counterparts aided in the abuse and mistreatment of African Americans.

- 4. Prejudice and Discrimination differ from racism.
  - 1. Racism is an elaborate system, whereas prejudice and discrimination are more surface-level.
- 5. A combination of privilege, pretty language, and selfrighteousness prevents Whites from seeing when they're racist.
  - 1. Racism is not always intentional; however, when addressed, Whites dismiss being racist in situations where they sincerely thought they weren't being racist.

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