

Typical Statements

1. ___ Just what do these people want anyway?
2. ___ I don't understand what you people are saying.
3. ___ On the whole, the educated, the upper classes, the emotionally mature, and the deeply religious are much less racist
4. ___ Other ethnic groups had to struggle. Why is it so different for the Blacks?
5. ___ Angry minorities make me feel so helpless.
6. ___ Racism exists only where minorities exist. Remove the minorities and we won't have these problems.
7. ___ (To a minority) No matter what I say or do, it doesn't suit you. You are never satisfied. As far as you're concerned, I can't do anything right.
8. ___ If you could just get people feeling good about themselves, there would be less racism.
9. ___ I'm not racist, but when it comes right down to it, I wouldn't marry a Black person.
10. ___ I should not be held responsible for the behavior of my ancestors.
11. ___ I'm with them up to the point where they want to break the law or do something illegal.
12. ___ How can I be pro-Black without being anti-White?
13. ___ I am not personally responsible for the policies of racist institutions.
14. ___ The most important things minorities need are an education and the vote.
15. ___ (White) people would not have to integrate if they don't want to.
16. ___ Love can't be legislated.
17. ___ What are we going to do to alleviate the Black problem?
18. ___ Every person should be judged solely on the basis of his or her accomplishments, regardless of race.
19. ___ We (Whites) should get a little more appreciation for what we are doing to help.
20. ___ Some of my best friends are Black.
21. ___ (Said to a Black person) I've gotten to know you so well that I just don't see you as Black anymore.
22. ___ Every time I express my opinion to a Black person, I get put down.



23. ___ On the basis of statistics, it's true that there is a higher crime rate in the ghetto.
24. ___ Black people are more in tune with their feelings; they are more emotional.
25. ___ In many situations, minorities are paranoid and oversensitive. They read more into the situation that is really there. They find discrimination because they are always looking for it.
26. ___ Why don't they just relax.

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