

Reflecting on Racism and the Box

Definitions:

Discrimination:	Treatment or consideration based on class or category rather than individual merit
Prejudice:	A negative opinion formed beforehand or without knowledge, or examination of the facts.
Racism:	Discrimination or prejudice based on race.

Directions:	<p>Write a paragraph explaining how “being in the box” applies to racism. Use the definitions above and the questions below to guide your response.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If two races are “in the box” towards one another, how does each race’s view of reality become distorted? • Which “boxes” or racial prejudices do people often carry around with them? • What kind of mistreatment results from races being “in the box” towards one another? • What are the advantages of being “out of the box” towards people of other races?
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Grading Rubric

Possible Score: 30 pts.

Format:	One paragraph typed	/5
	Double-spaced, 12 pt. Font	/5
	Correct spelling and proper use of mechanics	/5
Content:	Depth of thought	/5
	Understanding of concepts (racism, the box)	/5
	Representation of both sides, both “boxes”	/5

