## RACE CARS



## Book Summary:

An all-white racing committee attempts to ensure only white cars win their car race.

## Summary of Concerns:

This book contains controversial racial commentary.

## Easy Reader

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|  | My hope in writing Race Cars was to support BIPOC [Black, Indigenous, and People of Color] children in resisting social messages of racial inferiority and to support white children in developing a positive self-concept that enables them to like themselves without needing to feel superior to anyone. My goals are for children to recognize unfairness, develop the emotional empathy to know that bias hurts, and to feel empowered to disrupt racism in their own lives. |
|  | In recent months, discussions about racism, and white privilege have been at the forefront of our everyday lives. <br> ...It is my hope that readers will use this book to engage in constructive dialogue about privilege, prejudice, racism, and the ways that all of us can work together to shift the conversation from hate and violence toward understanding and respect, to ultimately bring about positive change and unity to our communities. |
| 5 | For as long as anyone could remember, every year when the race came around, a white car would win the race. A white care would win fourth place, third place, second place, and first place. |
| 7 | They were a group of white cars that made all the rules for the annual race-car race. ...A black car had never won first place. They did not want things to change. "We have always given white cars the fastest tires and the most powerful engines!" they roared. <br> ...For the next race, the committee decided to change a few of the rules to make it easier for the white cars to win and harder for all the other cars. |
| 23 | "Bridge is for white cars only. All other cars must go around the river." |
| 25 | It just didn't seem fair that the bridge was for white cars only. Was he not as good as white cars? |
| 26 | And back at the committee, the white cars were still not happy that Chase had won second place. They decided to change more rules to make it even easier for the white cars to win-... |
| 29 | ..."none of the white cars seem to be getting stopped," but he did not want to waste any more time. He showed the officer his identification... |

