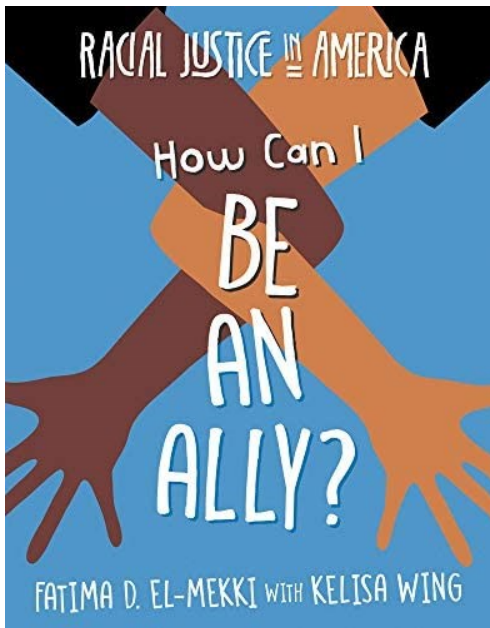


# RACIAL JUSTICE IN AMERICA: HOW CAN I BE AN ALLY?



## Summary of Concerns:

This book contains controversial racial and social commentary.

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7	<p>For example, if White students can get a great education, justice means that Black students should assume they can get one too. When Black students don't have the same educational opportunities as White students, that is racial injustice. Another example involves criminal behavior. Someone who commits a crime should be punished. But it is unjust if, for the same crime, a White person is not punished while a Black person is.</p>
8	<p>An ally can be someone who belongs to a group that is oppressing another group, but the ally stands with those who are being oppressed in order to get justice. When William Lewis Moore stood up for Black people who were being discriminated against, he was being their ally. He joined the battle against injustice. He made a choice to not be a bystander while Black people were being victimized. He did not tolerate the prejudice he observed and chose to be an upstander. Upstanders are people who do not ignore discrimination and other forms of injustice. Upstanders speak out, support, and assist marginalized groups. When it comes to race, an ally is a White person who decides to be an upstander and support Black people who are being discriminated against.</p>
12	<p>To be an ally, you first need to know who you are. What is your identity?          ...It includes the color of your skin, your character, your behavior, what you love doing, your hopes, your beliefs, and much much more.          ...Second, you need to know what your affinity group is. This is the group of people from your family, your race,...</p>
18	<p>Let's imagine some different scenes. In one, your family is White and is gathered for Christmas. You have a little sister who gets a Black doll as a gift from her aunt. Your cousin says, "We're White! Why did you give her a Black doll to play with? She should have gotten a White doll, since White dolls are more beautiful than Black dolls!"          ...Or you might be at a friend's house and hear her parents talk about how Black people are criminals.</p>