

Understanding White Privilege by Kendall (2001)

Directions: As you read the article, Understanding White Privilege by Kendall (2001), answer the questions below. Demonstrate that you understand the article by giving clear examples and explanations. Type your answers. Write complete sentences and correct spelling, punctuation and grammar.

1. Define Privilege:
2. Define White privilege:
3. According to your textbook, what is institutional racism? Give an example.
4. What does it mean that White privilege is an institution? Give an example (not one that's given in the article). Use your experience.
5. Does white privilege vary from person to person? Why? Give an example.
6. In paragraph 6, Kendall states: "Privileges are bestowed on us by the institutions with which we interact solely because of our race, not because we are deserving as individuals." Explain this statement using your experience.
7. Give examples of history and its influence in establishing privilege. How does history play out today? Give your ideas and thoughts.
8. Kendall (2001) titles a paragraph, "Privilege of Conception." What does she mean and what are your privileges of conception?
9. Summarize Kendall's (2001) paragraphs under "White People: Taking Racism Seriously." What are her main points?

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10. Under “White People Don’t Have to Listen,” Kendall mentions the “culture of power.” Explain what she means in your own words.

11. What are your thoughts about Kendall’s paragraphs, “Seeing White as Normal?” Take one of her examples and give your thoughts about it.