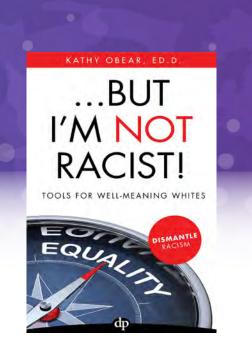
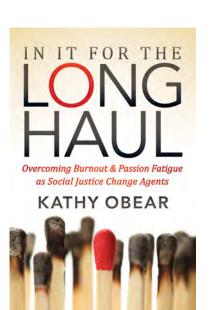
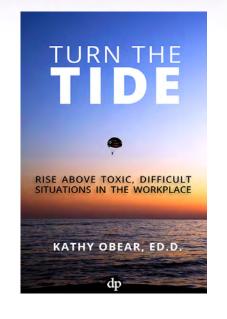
Homework for the session #3

- 1. Read article, White Supremacy Culture (online)
- 2. Use the White Supremacy Culture Cards with others to discuss and analyze your current organizational culture.
- 3. Have conversations with colleagues about the unwritten organizational rules for "professional" and what "leadership" means
- 4. Assess your current capacity to design & facilitate White Accountability Spaces (pgs. 10-15)
- 5. Bring dilemmas & examples: Resistance from employees and leaders; common traps and pitfalls









Leading White Accountability Spaces in Your Organization

Session #3

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BONUS Q&A Just for Course Participants

- Friday, March 27th, same time
 - 2:30-4pm ET
 - Same Zoom link
 - Will be recorded
- Bring any & all questions & dilemmas

Today's Learning Outcomes: Increase your competence, confidence, and courage to:

 MORE Design and scaffold learning activities to develop the capacity of participants over time

Assess your current capacity to design & facilitate
 White Accountability Spaces (pgs. 10-15)

Questions & dilemmas

Questions, wonders, insights, reactions from last week's material?

What may have fueled these racist behaviors?

Common Racist Behaviors and Attitudes of Many Whites ~ *Internalized Dominance* (pg. 44-47)

1. Which of the following dynamics have you observed or heard many whites do or say?

- 2. Which have **YOU** thought, said or done?
- 3. <u>CHAT</u>: Any additional common racist patterns/dynamics you have witnessed or experienced?

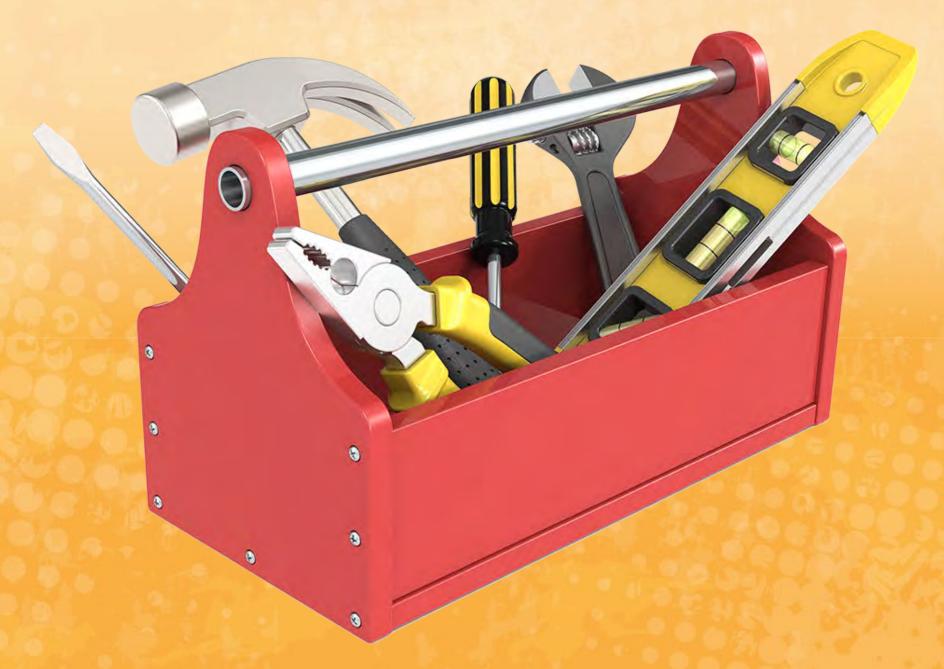
Common Racist Behaviors and Attitudes of Many Whites

- I "earned" what I have
- "Professional" (White cultural) norms are better
- People of color need to assimilate
- If they just worked harder
- Hired to fill a quota
- Resent taking direction
- Look how far we have come
- That's in the past; get over it
- Assume whites are the leader

- Exaggerate level of intimacy
- Scared to be called racist
- You attacked me
- I can't say anything now
- I'm a "good white"
- I have friends of color
- Rationalize race dynamics: That happens to me, too!
- They play the "race card"
- They don't appreciate all I do

Interrupt & Shift Racist Internalized Dominance

- Is it true? Really true?
- What is the evidence that this is more true for people of color than whites?
- When whites exhibit the same behavior, how do I make meaning of that? Treat them?
- What were the racist biases fueling my actions or inactions?
- What is my pay-off for having this racist thought?



PAIRS & Engaging Skills (pg. 59-60) Review: Which 4-5 might be useful at times?

- P: PAN
- A: ASK
- I: INTERRUPT
- R: RELATE
- S: SHARE



WHAT COULD YOU DO IF?!?!?!



Other Prompts to Consider

- Times you spoke up effectively?
- Times you spoke up, maybe not as effectively as now realize could have? Why? Outcomes?
- Times stayed silent, and why? Impact? Costs? Pay-off
- Potential costs if we speak up?
- Benefits if we speak up? WIIFM? Organization?

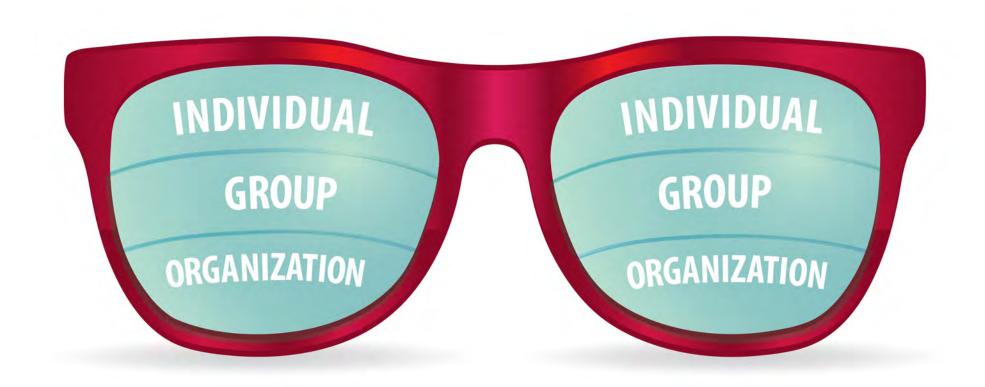
History of Race, Racism, and White Supremacy in US and Other Countries

Intention:

Increase understanding of the patterns of racism and White Supremacy over the centuries and how linked to & manifesting today

History Timeline

- Local region
- State, province
- World as it impacts US/your country, region, organizational footprint
- Videos
- Field Trips
- Current statistics
- What is "taught" in schools



How is privilege like a moving walkway?

*Dr. Beverly
Tatum





groups
spanning the
margins

MARGINALIZED GROUP

Marginalized Group Dynamics (pg. 40, EYCA)

- Less access to power and resources
- Often seen as inferior, deficient
- Often assimilate, collude, abide by rules, fit in to survive
- Very aware of daily indignities and oppression
- Punished if challenge
- Their truth & experiences questioned and invalidated

- Know more about privileged groups than privileged group members know about them
- Often struggle with finding a balance between who they are and who they are told they need to be to be "acceptable"
- Often struggle with finding their voice and speaking up to challenge
- Focus on "how far we need to go"

Privileged Group Dynamics (pg. 40, EYCA)

- Access to power, resources
- Make the Rules
- Define normal, right, Truth
- Assumed to be leader, smarter, competent...
- Given the benefit of the doubt
- Often unaware of privileged group membership & unearned privilege
- Less aware about uninclusive and discriminatory treatment

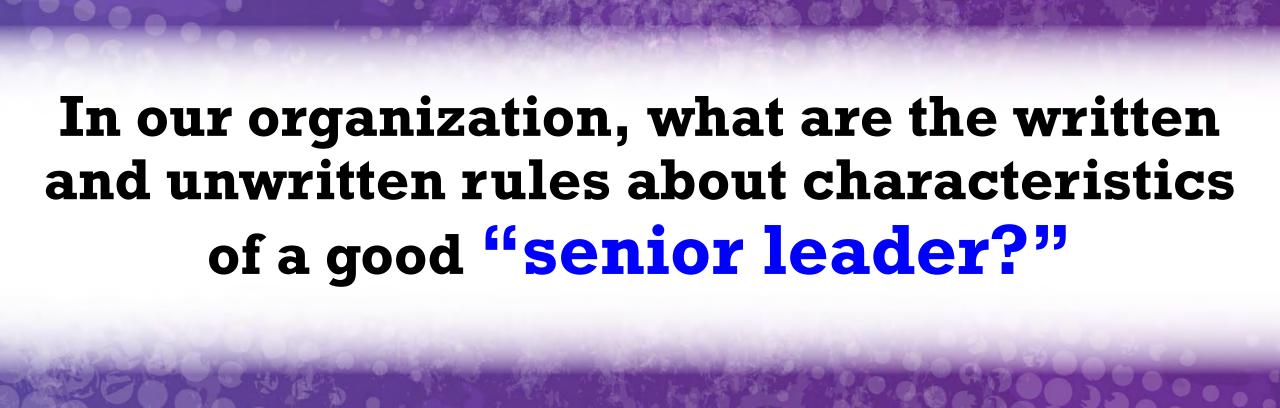
- Are more comfortable with members of marginalized groups who share similar behaviors, appearance, and values to them
- Hold to privileged group cultural beliefs, often without examination
- Collude, and if challenge, risk being ostracized/punished
- Focus on "how far we've come"



- 1. Whose ideas are considered?
- 2. Who is assumed to be competent?
- 3. Whose credentials are questioned?
- 4. Who is assumed to belong?
- 5. Who gets the benefit of the doubt?
- 6. Whose culture is infused in the organization as the <u>ONLY</u> right way?

Use These Questions to Identify Embedded White Privilege

- What behaviors are valued as competent or professional?
- By group membership, who gets rewarded who demonstrating these?
- By group membership, who gets ignored, overlooked or even criticized for the same behaviors?



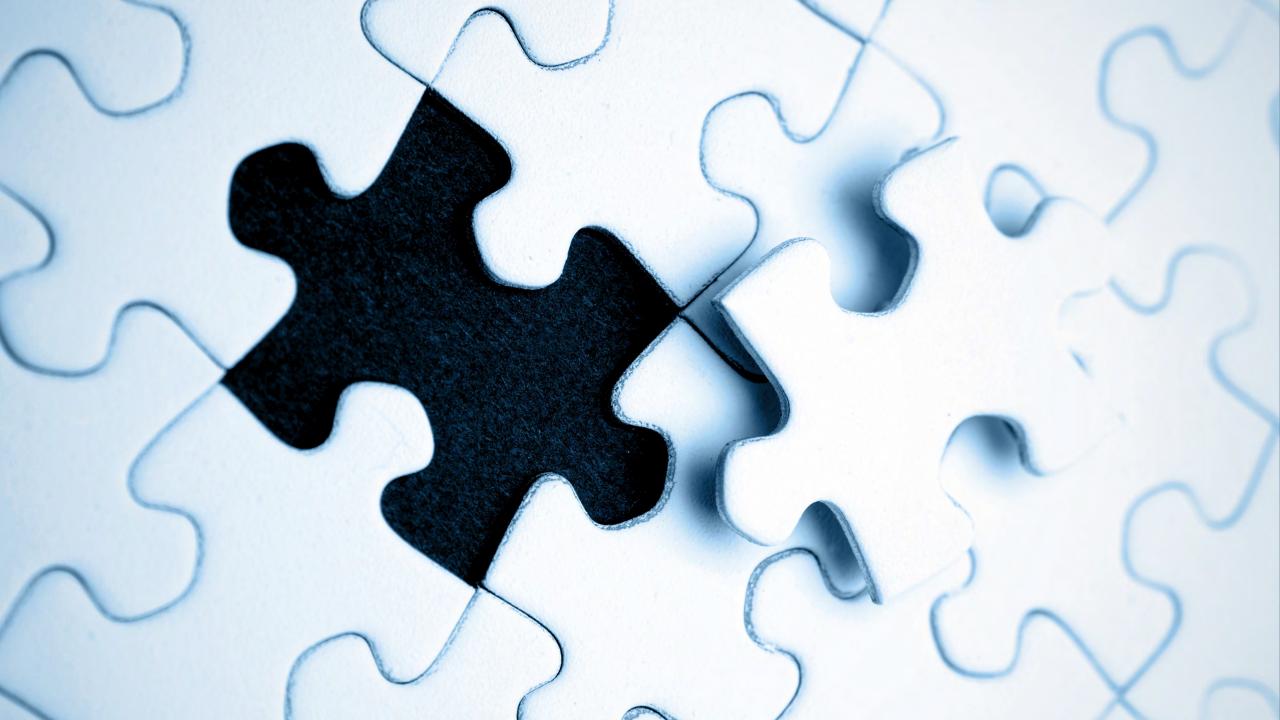
Move in circle: Name examples of privilege you have seen or benefitted from.

• As a _____ (name your privileged identity),

• I have seen ____ (an example of privilege).

OR

I have received this privilege _______.



Recognize
and shift
exclusionary
white cultural
practices





http://cwsworkshop.org/PARC_site_B/dr-culture.html

White Supremacy Culture by Kenneth Jones & Tema Okun, changework (pg. 39)

- Perfectionism
- A sense of urgency
- Defensiveness
- Quantity over quality
- Worship of the written word
- Paternalism
- Either/or thinking

- Power hoarding
- Fear of open conflict
- Individualism
- Progress = Bigger,More
- Objectivity
- Right to comfort

Select 1-2 Manifestations of White Supremacy Culture

For each, note:

1. How is this unproductive much/most/all of the time?

2. 1-2 ways some aspect of this <u>MIGHT</u> be useful at times?

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ORGANIZATIONAL LEVEL



Analyze and revise all policies, practices, programs, and services with a Race Lens,

Use a <u>Race Lens</u> to identify any possible unintended negative impact on people of color.

During the most recent budget cutting process, some leaders are considering changing the travel policy to require employees to stay at motels.

By group membership: Who might be in danger?

USE AN INCLUSION LENS: Intersecting Identities

- 1. Racialized identity
- 2. Culture, ethnicity
- 3. Skin color
- 4. Appearance
- 5. English proficiency
- 6. "Accents"
- 7. Nationality; national origin
- 8. Immigration and/or documentation status



Recruiting and Hiring:

- 1. Ways HAVE shifted with a Race Lens
- 2. Discrete practices that NEED revision

Assess your current capacity to design & facilitate White Accountability Spaces (pgs. 10-15)

In the CHAT:

• How are you feeling about your <u>current capacity</u> to design and lead White Accountability Spaces?

Categories of Competence

Knowledge

- History
- Statistics
- Current dynamics
- Language, terms

Self-Awareness

- Socialization
- Implicit biases
- Behaviors

Skills

- Recognize dynamics
- Respond effectively
- Proactively minimize

Action

- Take consistent meaningful action
- Assess, evaluate, adjust

Why should whites work for racial justice?

Why do you?