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Media - forms our view

Mainstream media

Prejudice - "Americans are so..."

Trump:

- In DK he is popular with Americans
- In the US he is popular with white, working-class, non-college educated men.

Historical sources vs. contemporary sources

- 1st hand source is more reliable

History:

America

- Columbus - west indies
- Discover something that is already there
 - o Civilization discovered it
 - o You feel superior to the natives
- Native Americans
 - o Maintaining a divide if calling someone a native American
- Redskins
- Injun
- The first people / Nations (Canada)
 - o Civilized
- No idea how many Natives there were in the beginning.
 - o Died in large numbers
 - Genocide and sickness
- White guilt

American culture, society and history - session 2:

Nation:

Before Class

- Video lecture: [Imagined Communities](#)
- Abolition
 - "Abolition" is a word we use when we want to activate scholarship with a sense of urgency, relevance, or potential for the future
- Region
 - The keyword "region" may seem self-evidently place based, both culturally and economically
- Testi, Arnaldo. "Americans' Flag Obsession Is Not Exceptional". *Time* June 14th, 2015. Web.
 - The American flag is everywhere to be found in America

- Problem in the wording of the beginning of the preamble
 - People and United states
 - People: Not everyone (blacks, natives, women, jews, homosexuals)
- “The People”
 - Citizens
 - People under the jurisdiction of the government
- “The United States”
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Native Americans:

- 1924: Natives are considered citizens by supreme court ruling
 - Indian termination Policy
 - Assimilation of native Americans in to larger US society → getting rid of the tribes
 - Indian relocation Act of 1956:
 - Incurejd Native americans living in or near Indian reservations to relocate to urban areas for greater employment opportunities

African Americans

- Politically active during the revolutionary period
- Black loyalists: fought for the British during the American Revolutionary War
 - Many northern states abolished slavery after the war.

Women

- National Women’s Party - Leading voice for National Women’s Suffrage
 - Early 20’t century
 - White anglo-saxen protenstants
 - 1919: right to vote

“A more perfect union”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?embed=no&v=pq_2uIVNhM0&index=3&list=PLtz0f0DzwsO6hnU5_lv18x7dqQgf_U4tX
 ” Principles of freedom”

“Two concepts of freedom”

- Philosophical distinction



- She is speaking depressed and she doesn't necessarily get along with him
- They are industrialists and frugals (sparing or economical as regards money or food)
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- How do The White Stripes portray American society? Is society seen as collective or disciplinary?
 - It is talking about he not having money, so he can't earn money.
 - The big three killed my baby (the three biggest car brands in America)
 - The factories move out → loss of money → nothing is happening in the car industries, nothing is innovating.
 - Imperial system → the US. Are pumping up oil → so the future is not electric cars → the US. is almost the last country who has an imperial system
- How do Jonathan Edwards and Cotton Mather see colonial American society? Are their views still present today?
 - Jonathan Edwards → we are all sinners, all of us, God is angry because we are sinners, is he going to keep us in our hand? → We have to better ourselves, we obey our law and make the native Americans Christians → that will make God happy.
 - Cotton Mather → If we don't make people Christian we will all go to hell
- What is the relation between family and society in the U.S.?
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- What is the result of making wealth a marker of individual success?
 - It changes → you're going from not having money → to having money