Critical Race Theory Tenets

Counter Storytelling

- Aims to cast doubt on the validity of accepted premises and myths.
- Counter-stories can be told in various forms, including personal stories/narratives, other people's stories/narratives and composite stories/narratives. Example:

The Permanence of Racism

- Acceptance of "racism as a permanent part of American life"
- Both a conscious and an unconscious act
- Racist hierarchal structures govern political, economic, and social domains Example:

Whiteness as Property

- Property functions on three levels:
 - The Right of Possession
 - The Right to Use
 - The Right to Disposition

(Right to transfer, right of enjoyment, right of exclusion is also essential attributes with property rights.)

Example:

Interest Convergence

- Concessions are offered to the extent that they are not seen as a disruption to the "normal way of life.
- Gains coincide with the self-interest of whites. Example:

Critique of Liberalism

- Remedies based on equality assume that citizens have the same opportunities and experiences (Equality vs. Equity).
- An abiding limitation of liberalism is its reliance on incremental change. Example: