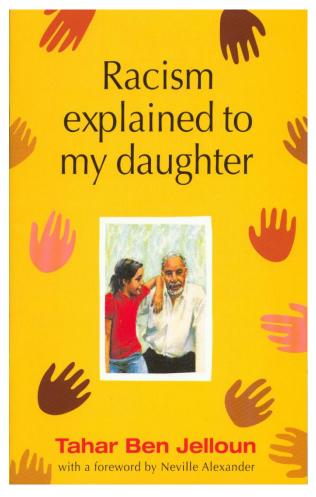


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In this remarkably candid little book, acclaimed author Tahar Ben Jelloun and his 10-year old daughter Mérième discuss - in the most natural way, as parents and their children sometimes do – Mérième's question, "Daddy, what is racism?"

How can we recognize racism?

Why do racist beliefs and practices exist?

What can we do to fight racism?

In talking openly and frankly about this universal issue, father and daughter remind us that children are naturally curious and full of questions as they try to come to grips with a world that is often confusing and, indeed, threatening. This book shows how important it is that we do not silence our children, but allow them to speak out and to ask questions. Children need to understand that racism is universal and that we can learn from the experience of other people in other countries to deal with similar problems in our country.

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