

## Black-Dalit/Caste-Oppressed Solidarities - Educating with the Arts

**Objective:** Black and Dalit youth in Canada expressed the importance of educational resources that center connection through the arts. To this end, we hope to collectively work with you all to co-develop arts based resources around Black-Dalit/Caste-Oppressed solidarities.

Your goal is to Create media representation to spread awareness and build solidarities between the experiences of caste-oppressed or marginalized youth in Canada. This could be a TikTok video, Instagram reel, short documentary, slideshow of images and information, compilation of videos, podcast, short or children's story, infographic, or poster.

### Instructions:

1. Select an idea & write your name in the Name column.
2. Develop a media representation of your chosen topic. Make sure you indicate the type of content you will create in the Chosen Type of Creation column.

Topic	Type of Creation (examples)	Summary of Ideas	Name	Chosen Type of Creation
What is Caste? How does it manifest in the diaspora? (e.g., Canada)	Tiktok / Reels / Slideshow	Short introduction to what caste is and its presence today in South Asia and Canada		
What is anti-Black racism? How does it manifest in Canada?	Tiktok / Reels / Slideshow	Short introduction to what anti-Black racism is and its presence today in Canada		
History of Caste and Race	Tiktok / Reels / Slideshow	[Maybe multiple parts] History, instances, and prevalence of caste in South Asia and Canada		
Casteism today	Poster/ Infographic	Include statistics on wealth disparity, healthcare and other such implications of the Caste system		
Anti-Black Racism today	Poster/ Infographic	Include statistics on wealth disparity, healthcare and other such implications of anti-Black racism		
Bystander	Short Story	Having a short story/picture book		

actions		on how someone who does not know much about caste / anti-Black racism can advocate, and support Dalit / Caste-oppressed / Black students		
Resource Sharing (e.g., Booktalk posts)	Tiktok / Reels	Sharing different resources that educate about Casteism / anti-Black racism with 1-2 lines on each resource		
Personal stories	Any form	Share unbiased personal experiences of Caste-oppression or anti-Black racism		
Building solidarity	Any form	Connecting experiences of marginalized and Caste-oppressed youth (involves sharing and recognizing similarities between the experiences of both groups) – why is it important for differently marginalized groups to work together? Why should we address anti-Blackness and Casteism together?		
Steps forward	Any form	Imagine the following: What would a world without oppression look like? How can we get there? Why should we address anti-Blackness and Casteism together?		
Similarities in the experiences of Caste and anti-Black discrimination	Tiktok / Reels / Slideshow	Connecting experiences of racially-oppressed and caste-oppressed youth (involves sharing and recognizing similarities between the experiences of both groups)		

Guidelines	
Type of Media	Guidelines
Tiktok/Reels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Length: 1 minute</li> <li>- 1-5 parts</li> <li>- Be concise</li> </ul>
Poster or Infographic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Letter (8.5x11) or Tabloid (11x17)</li> <li>- Final product should be cohesive and incorporate text and images</li> <li>- Poster → emphasis on images over text; if text is present, should be limited to a short paragraph and/or catchphrase</li> <li>- Infographic → balance between relevant images and text</li> <li>- Be concise</li> </ul>
Short Story	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2-5 pages double spaced (can be longer)</li> <li>- Size 12 font</li> <li>- Be creative!</li> </ul>
Short Documentary or Video Compilation (i.e. YouTube video)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 5-12 minutes</li> <li>- Must include a narration explaining the connections between each video and/or filling in any knowledge gaps present</li> <li>- If a compilation, ensure all videos are appropriate</li> </ul>
Podcast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 15-20 minutes</li> <li>- Best if done in groups of 2-3</li> <li>- Include a question that frames your discussion</li> <li>- Incorporate any background information necessary</li> </ul>
Children's Story	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 8-10 pages</li> <li>- Should include pictures/images that support/display what is happening in the story</li> <li>- Should try to convey a moral message in a way that a child would understand</li> <li>- Be creative!</li> </ul>
Slideshow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Slide deck that would coincide with a 15-20 minute presentation</li> <li>- Minimum 8 slides</li> <li>- Include images supported by text</li> <li>- Research/presentation notes should be included in the 'Notes' section for each slide on whichever presentation platform is used (i.e. Canva, Google Slides, PowerPoint)</li> </ul>
Poem	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Max 3 pages, Can take any form (i.e. blackout, spoken word, free verse, series, etc.) Be creative!</li> </ul>

**Important Considerations:** Have you checked for accessibility (e.g., Is font size and style easily readable? Are the colours contrasting? Do videos have closed captions? etc.)