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Literary Analysis Essay

Between the World and Me is a book authored by Ta- Nehisi Coates. This book was published in 2015 and reflects the personal, the intellectual and the historical development of the blacks in America, the author has focused on basically that how to live if one belongs to the dark races in America. Coates has remained too critical of the white Americans and their contributions in the development of America. He mentions that “the progress of White American was based on looting and violence”(Coates 6).

In his book, Coates has argued that the upbringing of the Black children in the U.S remains a hard job. He has analyzed in a more general way as to what are the causes of the backwardness of the public schools. But, there has been no specific reason illustrated by the author as to why the public schools had a different kind of attitude towards the specific races. As Haile mentions that Coates has remained first too critical about the American system for blacks, and with time he started exploring the reason as to why the Blacks are facing the discriminatory attitude(Haile III). Coates argues that public schools were considered as the school of the discriminatory classes in America. According to him, the reasons for their marginalization in the society started from the day, the blacks stepped in the public schools.

Grizzle argues that Coates had remain associated with the system that was for Black Americans. Since Coates was a self-made and a hardworking man, therefore he had to face some kind of more hardships, compared to the rest Black Americans(Grizzle). At every stage of his life, Coates had witnessed a discriminatory attitude. According to him the public school remains completely failed in developing students. He argues that the sense they were supposed to develop in the students, they failed in doing so. The students were marginalized at the first instance, they find refuge in the school from the hardships of their personal and working life, and consequently, they were like easy prey for the instructors who use to treat hem harshly. This all, Coates consider were the way in which the schools remain fail in serving the communities.

As the complete book is based on the efforts of Coates in bringing himself up while being a part of the community which has been subjected to the ill attitude of the White Americans. It becomes self-observatory that Coates had nothing in his possession to use against the oppression of Whites other than to make him educated. For this reason, Coates struggled and was able to make his place in Howard. Williams had also shared the same view of Coates, that the oppression of Whites could just be challenged by getting ourselves educated(Williams).

The facts brought forward by Coates in his book are important to grab the understanding of why for decades the Blacks have remained failed to come as the constructive working class in America. Many of the authors have shared the same view, but they have presented in a different manner. Some has worked on the educational challenges the Blacks faced, some has worked to explore the economic challenges, and some has worked to look for the social challenges the Blacks faced in the U.S. Coates had remained the most general among all. As Kirkland mentions that the Blacks are not the subjects of the jail(Kirkland). This is what Coates has already highlighted. The social statistics of today are just a little changed, to as what in the times of Coates was. There are many reasons for this consistency in the stats about Blacks. For example, the Black population of America is still focused on getting some mechanical or such other related training and a very few of them are able to make their places in the high ranks of the country. In order to make these stats better, the Blacks will have to eventually transform their lives, as to how Coates did.

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