Base Camp Series

I Am Not Your Negro
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First impressions

• What does a just society mean to you?
• Do you think your country today is a just society?
• Why?
Watch the movie
Debrief

• How did the film make you feel?
• What shocked you?
• What images or words jumped out?
• How did the film change or challenge any of your ideas or beliefs?
“I’m terrified at the moral apathy - the death of the heart - which is happening in my country.”

James Baldwin
Achieving social justice

• How relevant *I Am Not Your Negro* to our society today?

• Is this just a story about America?

• How has the film changed how you think about social justice in your own community?
Then

Now
Racial representation

• The film included many clips of old movies and commercials. How were black people portrayed in these?

• Why does it matter how different races are represented in media?
"My country men were my enemy ... these stories are designed to reassure us that no crime was committed."

James Baldwin
"Once I’d met Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X and Medgar Evers and all those other people, the role I had to play was confirmed. I didn’t think of myself as a public speaker, or as a spokesman, but I knew I could get a story past the editor’s desk. And once you realise that you can do something, it would be difficult to live with yourself if you didn’t do it."

James Baldwin
One vision, different actions

- What role did James Baldwin play in the civil rights movement? How did his actions differ from other civil rights leaders, like Martin Luther King or Malcolm X?

- What would you like your friends or family to know?

- What else can we do to create a more just society?
I resolve to...