

Video “Race and Ethnicity”

Questions for discussion:

1. What are the differences between the definitions of race by biologists and sociologists?
2. What is race from biological perspective? What criteria do biologists use?
3. How do sociologists see the race?
4. What do people usually think about Kay Code’s race? What does their opinion depend on?
5. What is ethnicity based on?
6. What is the main difference between race and ethnicity?
7. What may racial and ethnic differences produce?

Video “Why are white people called Caucasian?”

Questions for discussion:

1. What meaning is the word “Caucasian” often used?
2. Which word does “Caucasian” derive from? What does it mean?
3. How did the name of the mountain range come to be linked with people who have white skin?
4. What did J. R. Blumenbach introduce?
5. What races did Blumenbach divide all people into?
6. Which part of the body was significantly important for defining a race?
7. Which ethnic group, to Blumenbach’s opinion, perfectly matched the category of white race?
8. Which race did Blumenbach believe to be God’s original creation?
9. How is Blumenbach’s theory used by “scientific racism”?
10. What issues about race must we change?