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# Protests in USA and the World Against Racism

## What is Black Lives Matter?

- **Black Lives Matter is a movement which protests against racism and unfair treatment of Black people in the US and across the world.**

- **It was founded in 2013 in the US.**

**There have been protests in many cities across the world. In the US, UK and many other places, people are speaking out against racism.**

These protests began in Minneapolis, a city in the United States of America, after the death of a Black man called George Floyd.

George Floyd died after he was stopped by police officers. One police officer knelt on his neck. The police officers who were involved with his death have lost their jobs. One of them has been charged with murder while the others also face criminal charges.

The death of George Floyd has led many people to protest against the unfair treatment of Black people, particularly by the police and the justice system.

In cities across the US, people have been carrying signs saying 'Black Lives Matter'. Many of the protests have been peaceful but there has been violence at some protests.

People have been protesting against racism in other parts of the world as well. There have been protests in many UK cities, such as Liverpool, Sheffield, Bristol and London.

People have also been raising money for the family of George Floyd, as well as for organisations which campaign against racism in the UK, the US and across the world.

In the UK, many people have also signed petitions asking the government to do more to tackle racism.



Photo: Protesters in the United States of America.

Celebrities such as Beyonce, Taylor Swift and Rihanna have spoken on social media to protest what happened and to speak out against racism. Tennis star Coco Gauff and Star Wars actor John Boyega have also spoken at protests.

"We must first love each other, no matter what," Coco Gauff said. She added that it is important to "use your voice no matter how big or small your platform is."

## Glossary

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| **protests** | Organised statements or actions to show that you don't agree with something. |
| **racism** | Treating someone unfairly because of the colour, culture or ethnic origin. |
| **justice** | The laws and authority of a country. |
| **petitions** | A letter signed by many people asking for something to happen. |