

# **Using the Air Nation Genocide to Teach Critical Race Theory**

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# What is Critical Race Theory

**Definition:** framework for analyzing the meaning behind the images, messages, and symbols that reflect systemic racism in contemporary culture

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# Discussion



1. If Aang had decided to kill Firelord Ozai, how do you think that would have affected his ability to rebuild the air nation?
  2. For those of you who have read the books and comics, can you think of air nomad characters who haven't felt pressured to follow strict customs?
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