

What Does Racism Look Like in 2025?

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Racism in 2025 looks like

a highly educated, over qualified, well spoken

Black women losing a presidential election to

A white man with 34 felons and a known history of bankrupting casinos

That is what racism looks like in 2025.

Racism in 2025 looks like

the white minority owning over half the commercial agricultural land

While black people, black people make up the majority of the 55% of South Africans living under the bread line

"But ohhh how things have changed since 1994" they claim, but then how is this our reality?

How then, is this what racism looks like in 2025?

Racism in 2025 looks like

Black politicians and officials who prioritise lining their own pockets

Rather than giving back to their very own communities, uplifting their own and empowering the previously marginalised

Racism in 2025 looks like

A government that believes that the gunshot wound

that is Apartheid can be fixed by one or two plasters

That is what Racism looks like in 2025

You may think that the greatest perpetrators and benefactors of racism is the white Elite

But in 2025 the greatest perpetrators and benefactors of racism is the black bourgeoisie

Who benefit from the suffering of their own people

And as the rich get richer

The poor don't get poorer they instead get hungry and sickly and die

As the white elites and black bourgeoisie clink champagne glasses and rub elbows

That is what Racism looks like in 2025

They want you

They want us to believe that change has occurred

That our country, the world, has gotten better

But the truth is

That Racism In 2025 looks the exact same as racism in 1925 which looks the exact same as racism in 1825 which looks the exact same as racism in 1725 which looks the exact same as racism in 1652

That Racism in 2025 is the exact same as the very day Jan Van Riebeeck set foot in the Cape

As for what it looks like it has been dressed up and coated with a shiny varnish, that makes it more morally acceptable, easier to miss when your not paying attention and harder to spot when you are

Racism in 2025 may look different some might say better but at its core it's a really the same

Explanation:

This poem discusses what racism looks like in 2025.

Stanza 1 discusses the effects of race on America's latest presidential election. It touches on the fact that a black female candidate, Kamala Harris, who graduated from Howard University and the University of California Law school, who has over 22 years of political experience since becoming the District Attorney of San Francisco in 2003 to the very first female vice president of the United States of America in 2021. The Stanza discusses how Kamala lost the election to President Donald Trump who in the last year alone has been charged with 34 felonies, who has been accused and found guilty of sexual assault cases and somehow bankrupted not one but six casinos.

Deep rooted racism and sexism led Kamala to lose the election.

Stanza 2 discusses the massive problem of land ownership in South Africa and how the white minority which makes up approximately 6% of South Africa's population owns over half of the country's commercial agricultural land which makes millions a year. This points a painful tie back to land ownership acts passed by white governments, actions that even predate Apartheid. In 1913 the Natives Land Act restricted black people from buying and owning land outside of designated reserves that made up a complete total of 13% of the countries land when black people were the overwhelming majority making up over 90% of South Africa's population at the time. The implications of this act can still be seen to this very day over 100 years later. Land taken from people forcefully still provides for the descendants of those who took it 100 years ago.

Stanza 3 and 4 discuss the activities of black politicians and the black bourgeoisie who actively harm black communities and block the possible prosperity of black people by continuously keeping their own down. These black bourgeoisie steal from their communities to fund their lifestyle and it stumps growth and development. Often the massive problem that is Apartheid and the long lasting affects it's had and will have on all South Africans is largely played down and it does and will negatively affect South Africans especially the vulnerable.

Stanza 5 discusses how nothing has truly changed that racism now in 2025 is the same as it was 300 years ago in 1752 when the first Europeans landed in the Cape the Southernmost tip of Africa, and began the long and painful history of South Africa marked with oppression and injustice similar to how people of color live today.

Stanza 6 discusses how racism has been made to look different but how it is actually not different. That racism may look better, as though change has occurred and the world is healing

but it is not true because when you strip away all the fancy words and frills and look at what has actually been done and what has actually changed besides the surface level things, and you will find that not much has changed at all.