**Question of Race Video**

**Answer the questions below. Make sure you use specific examples from the video and textbook to answer your question.**

1. **What meaning does race have? Scientifically? In society? In comparison to ethnicity?**

* **Race is defined as a constructed identity and is a perfect example of how identities are built. In a biological perspective, all humans are part of the same race: the human race. The term 'race' is leaned towards a more social approach-race in society is a combination of physical characteristics in a population. Ethnicity defers from race greatly. Ethnicity relates more to culture and is basically a group of people who speak the same language, eat the same food, practice similar traditions, etc.**

1. **Describe our urge as humans to classify? Why do we do this and where does it come from?**

* **Humans *choose* to assign ethnicities. Racism exists because of and experience. We classify someone belonging to a particular race by observing the geographical region they come from.**

1. **Historically how have different theories of racial superiority justified human actions against other humans?**

* **In the past, two major events occurred involving racial discrimination. During the holocaust, a dictator named "Hitler" separated Jews from the Germans. Hitler believed in a 'different' view of Social Darwinism-the principle of 'survival of the fittest' and that other races were impure to the German race.**

1. **How has race developed meaning in the modern world?**

* **In the modern world, African-Americans are treated equally whereas in the 1600's they would have been discriminated against and called "Blacks" or "Slaves."**