## **Race**

We cannot understand race without understanding colonialism

## Colonialism



The political, social, economical, and cultural domination of a territory and its people by a foreign power for an extended time

## Age of Enlightenment

- Philosophical and intellectual movement
- Europe
- 17th and 8th centuries
  - Colonial era
  - Contrasting the Dark Ages
- Centered the pursuit of knowledge through reason and ideals
- Coincided with French and American revolutions
- Coincided with birth of modern science

## **Biological Determinism**



(Incorrect) concept that various aspects of behavior are governed by biological factors