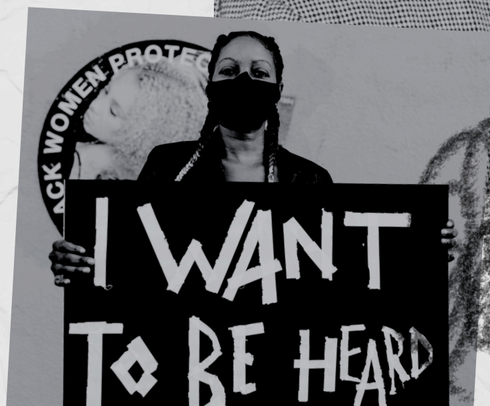
UNderstand the origin and impact of the N-Word: Why it should not be used



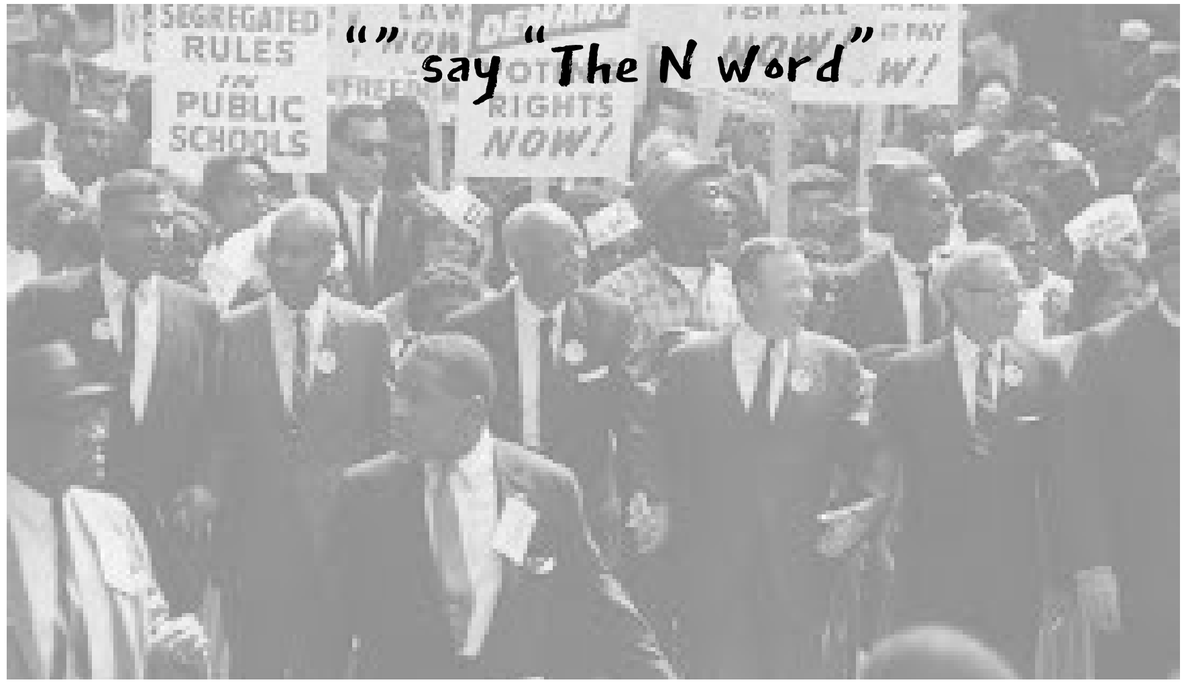






THE “N” WORD

These are the words people are taking about when they



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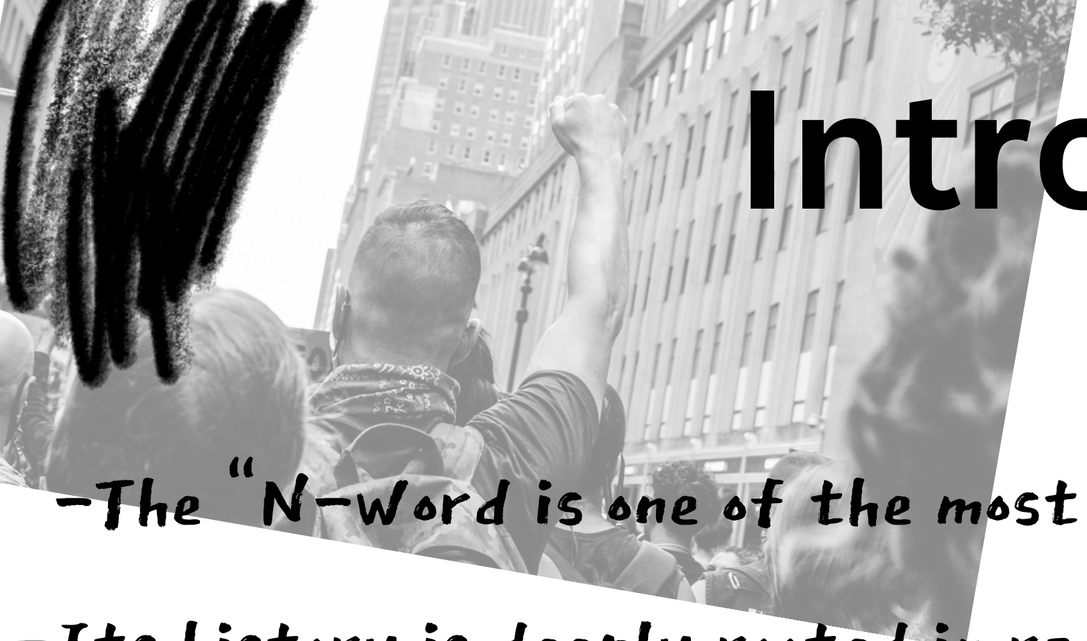
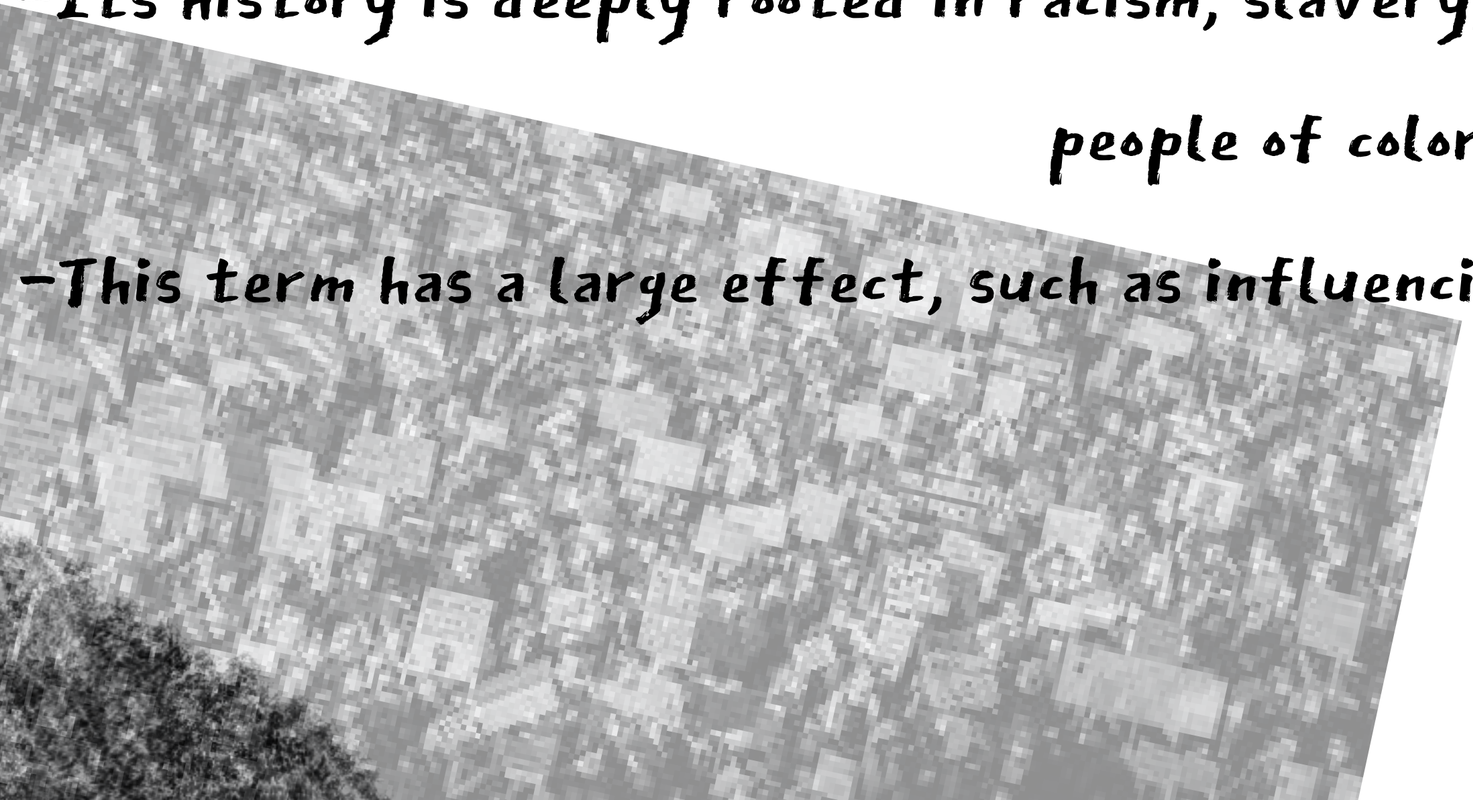
Introduction



-The "N-Word is one of the most offensive racial slurs in the English language

-Its history is deeply rooted in racism, slavery, and oppression, especially toward people of color.

-This term has a large effect, such as influencing political, and cultural dynamics





OUTSIDE OF AMERICAN

- **Italy**

The “n word” is not used, not even in the black community or in song lyrics.

- **Poland**

They say it, because they think it’s cool to say it not to offend, because there is nobody to offend

- **Serbia**

In colloquial Serbian, the “n word” when translated means friend or brother.

- **Brazil**

When translated, the word is not offensive.

N-word Usage in America

Slavery

- The N-Word became more entrenched during the era of slavery in the United States
- It was used by slave owners and others to reinforce the racial hierarchy, portraying enslaved people as inferior, and less-than-human
- The Word became a tool of oppression and control, making African Americans "property" and denying them basic human dignity





After the civil War and the abolition of slavery, the Word continued to be used in the south, especially during a period of racial segregation and disenfranchisement called Jim crow

The Word Was also central to the violence and discrimination faced by black people including lynching' s and racial terror

In the 1960's, the civil rights movement fought against systemic racism, aiming to dismantle segregation and promote equality

activists and leaders such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Worked to reclaim black dignity but despite efforts, the Word continued to be used as of tool of hate and division

Modern Usage and Reclamation

- In recent decades, the "N-word" has sparked significant debate within Black communities.

- Some have sought to reclaim the word, using it among themselves as a form of solidarity, empowerment, and redefinition.

- However, others reject this attempt at reappropriating, arguing that the word's history is too painful and degrading for it to be reappropriated.





"Negus...continues in a long line of fetishizing a historically inaccurate depiction of a monolithically same Africa."

Abel Shifferaw





Ongoing debate

The use of the "N-Word" is controversial and context-dependent. For example, it may be used in different ways by Black people in private spaces versus by non-Black individuals.

- **Impact on Society:** The Word continues to hurt and divide people, symbolizing centuries of violence, oppression, and racial inequality.

- The debate over Who can use the Word, and in What context, is ongoing and highly sensitive.

The N-word within the Hyde community

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The N- word will not be tolerated at Hyde. Reasons why:

- **As a community we should respect how others feel about this word and how it may effect them**
- **As a community we should respect those who came before us the millions of black people that died for there freedom.**

Those same people who fought to be able get called there real name's instead of this word