## Cartoons for the Classroom

## What do history books leave out?



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## **Talking Points**

1. It has taken a century for most Americans to learn the story of a Tulsa mob burning down a prosperous Black neighborhood and murdering as many as 300 of its residents. What do these cartoons say about teaching U.S. history?

2. Why do history books leave out or "sanitize" some stories?

3. What battles about teaching the history or our racial affairs are going on right now?

4. If we don't learn of our past wrongs are we really "doomed to repeat them?"

## Between the lines

"History was mostly written by white people about white people like me, while the history of Black people --including the horrors of Tulsa — was too often left out." — Actor Tom Hanks https://www.nytimes.com/2021/06/04/ opinion/tom-hanks-tulsa-race-massacrehistory.html Additional resources More by Bob Englehart https://www.cagle.com/author/bobenglehart/ More by Marc Murphy https://www.editorialcartoonists.com/ cartoonists/murphm-2/cartoons/2020national-and-international/ Association of American

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