

Sample Brainstorming Page

Prompt: How do race and racial bias shape a person's experience and understanding of the world?

Directions: Record concise details about the incident at the convenience store (pp. 17–23; pp. 36–40) in order to synthesize trends among the examples you collect.

Character	Detail (page number)
Rashad	<ul style="list-style-type: none">is accused of stealing, tries to explain what happened (21)submits and does not resist (21–23)is afraid that the cop will kill him (23)
the clerk	<ul style="list-style-type: none">looks at Rashad suspiciously (17)suspects/accuses Rashad of stealing (20–21)
the cop (Officer Paul Galluzzo)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">ignores Rashad, helps woman up from ground (20)suspects Rashad of harming woman (20)listens to clerk instead of Rashad, grabs R, calls for backup (21)puts Rashad in submission hold, slams R's face into ground, cuffs him, searches him (22)suspects/accuses Rashad of resisting arrest (22)continues beating Rashad (22)calls Rashad a thug, threatens him (23)
the bystanders	<ul style="list-style-type: none">the woman tries to explain but fails and leaves (21)people on street watch and tell cop to stop but don't intervene (23)
Quinn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">observes incident, notices that person on ground is black and cop is white (38)thinks about helping cop (38)continues watching but takes no action (38)runs away when more police show up (38)tells friends what happened, they run, he explains they should pretend they weren't there so they won't have to answer questions (39)continues to wonder about what he saw and whether Paul is ok, but doesn't think about Rashad much (40)