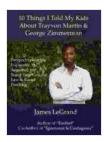
# 10 Things I Told My Kids About Trayvon Martin and George Zimmerman

In the wake of the tragic shooting of Trayvon Martin, a 17-year-old unarmed black teenager, by George Zimmerman, a 28-year-old white man, there has been much discussion about race, justice, and the role of the media in shaping public opinion.

As a mother, I have been particularly concerned about how to talk to my children about this difficult and complex issue. I want them to understand the facts of the case, but I also want to help them develop a critical understanding of the racial dynamics that were at play.

I believe that it is important for children to learn about these issues at a young age. By talking to them about race, justice, and the media, we can help them to become informed and responsible citizens.



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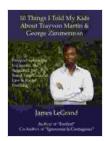


Here are 10 things I told my kids about Trayvon Martin and George Zimmerman:

- Trayvon Martin was an unarmed 17-year-old black teenager. He
  was walking home from the store when he was shot and killed by
  George Zimmerman.
- 2. **George Zimmerman was a 28-year-old white man.** He was a neighborhood watch volunteer.
- 3. **Zimmerman claims that he shot Martin in self-defense.** He says that Martin attacked him and that he feared for his life.
- 4. There is no evidence to support Zimmerman's claim. Martin's body was found with no injuries other than the gunshot wound to his chest.
- 5. **Zimmerman was acquitted of all charges in Martin's death.** This decision sparked outrage and protests across the country.
- The case of Trayvon Martin highlights the racial disparities in the criminal justice system. Black people are more likely to be arrested, convicted, and sentenced to prison than white people, even for the same crimes.
- 7. The case of Trayvon Martin also highlights the power of the media. The media played a significant role in shaping public opinion about the case.
- 8. The media often portrays black people in a negative light. This can lead to harmful stereotypes and discrimination.
- 9. **It is important to be critical of the media.** We need to question the information that we are given and to consider different perspectives.

10. We need to work together to create a more just and equitable society. We need to challenge racism and discrimination in all its forms.

I hope that by talking to my children about Trayvon Martin and George Zimmerman, I can help them to understand the complexities of race, justice, and the media. I also hope that I can inspire them to become active citizens who work to create a more just and equitable society.



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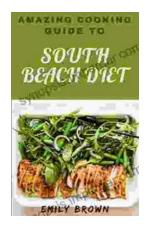
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