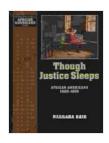
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The period from 1880 to 1900 was a time of both progress and challenges for African Americans in the United States. The end of Reconstruction in 1877 marked the beginning of a new era of racial segregation and discrimination known as Jim Crow. However, African Americans also made significant strides during this time, including the establishment of black colleges and universities, the rise of the civil rights movement, and the Great Migration to the North.

Jim Crow and Racial Segregation:

Jim Crow was a system of racial segregation that was enforced in the southern United States from the late 19th century until the mid-20th

century. It mandated the separation of blacks and whites in all public spaces, including schools, hospitals, restaurants, and transportation. Jim Crow laws were designed to maintain white supremacy and to prevent African Americans from fully participating in American society.

The Jim Crow system had a profound impact on the lives of African Americans. It limited their access to education, employment, and housing. It also created a climate of fear and violence, as whites often used violence to intimidate and suppress African Americans.

Reconstruction and Civil Rights Movement:

The post-Reconstruction era saw the rise of the civil rights movement, which sought to end Jim Crow and to secure equal rights for African Americans. One of the most prominent leaders of the civil rights movement was Booker T. Washington, who founded the Tuskegee Institute and advocated for vocational education and economic self-sufficiency for African Americans.

Another key figure in the civil rights movement was W.E.B. Du Bois, who founded the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and fought for political and social equality for African Americans. Du Bois was also a prominent sociologist and historian who wrote extensively about the plight of African Americans in the United States.

The Great Migration and the Urban North:

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, hundreds of thousands of African Americans migrated from the rural South to the industrial cities of the North. This migration, known as the Great Migration, was driven by economic opportunity, as well as by the desire to escape the oppressive conditions of the Jim Crow South.

The Great Migration had a significant impact on the lives of African Americans. In the North, they found new opportunities for employment, education, and housing. However, they also faced discrimination and prejudice in the North, as well as a lack of affordable housing and social services.

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The period from 1880 to 1900 was a complex and challenging time for African Americans in the United States. Despite the challenges of Jim Crow and racial segregation, African Americans made significant strides during this time, establishing black colleges and universities, rising up through the civil rights movement, and migrating to the North in search of new opportunities. The legacy of this period continues to shape the lives of African Americans in the United States today.



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