In 1619, the European settlers in America went to Africa and kidnapped millions of Africans.
They put the Africans on boats and sailed them to America.
Once the Africans arrived in the US, they were sold to the Europeans in America and forced to work for them for no money at all.
The Africans tried to get away but the Europeans would beat them or kill them if they caught them trying to get away.
Just like in colonization, the Africans were not allowed to speak their language or practice their traditions.
The Africans were not allowed to read or write or own any property like houses. They were only allowed to work for the Americans.
Because of that, the Africans got really poor and the Europeans got really rich.
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