

***“If you are a teacher in the mainstream school system, don’t teach the master narrative or the dominant view of history; teach history from the point of view of the oppressed.”***

There are many, but good starting points to revisionist history are *An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States* by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz (Beacon Press, 2014), *A People's History of the United States* by Howard Zinn (Harper Perennial, 2010), *A Different Mirror: A History of Multicultural America* by Ronald Takaki (Back Bay Books, 2008), and *Conquest: Sexual Violence and American Indian Genocide* by Andrea Smith (South End Press, 2005). For a true history of the founding of Canada, *Clearing the Plains: Disease, Politics of Starvation, and the Loss of Aboriginal Life* by James Daschuk (University of Regina Press, 2013) recounts the politics of ethnocide that led to the deaths and subjugation of thousands of aboriginal people in the realization of Sir John A. Macdonald's "National Dream." These titles illustrate that master narratives are a smoke screen disguising the conflict between Empire and people of colour, whom they destroy, enslave, exploit and oppress.