**Syllabus- American Studies**

We will be reading many works within our anthology. Beyond the anthology, we will be reading 3 novels: *Huckleberry Finn, The Great Gatsby, and To Kill a Mockingbird*. There will be projects, discussions, and/or writing responses to all works.

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