

## Book Review: American History Z, by Joey Oliver

Joey Oliver is sick of being lied to. This 28-year-old man knows enough to know that he doesn't know the whole truth. But he can see enough contradictions that he does know he's being lied to. He had been lied to all of his life about almost everything.

One obvious lie is that of the blank slate, that all peoples of the world are the same. Of equal ability. Marxists have supported this Standard Social Sciences Model of equality forever, though it has been being [debunked by the brightest of the bright](#) for almost as long. But, as Oliver notes, even today anybody even questioning the premise of equality is pilloried.

It matters. A cornerstone of the philosophy of democracy is the assumption that all people are equally capable and they should therefore have an equal vote. Such equality is manifestly not the case. The founding fathers knew it. Hence their choice of federalism instead of democracy, the electoral college and all of that apparatus. However, for generations we have been brainwashed throughout all of our education to believe otherwise. Politicians of the left relentlessly promote the notion that the vote of the most recent illegal immigrant should be equal to that of the prosperous professional descendent of the founding fathers.

Oliver goes further. Men and women are not the same. The sexes fill different roles in society. He does not write about evolution, but on the books that he ought to be citing, such as [Male-female the evolution of human sexual differences](#), point to the fact that women evolved for motherhood than men evolved to provide and care for their women and children. Different skill sets for different roles.

Oliver finds a note of hypocrisy in atrocities. Human beings have been committing them throughout history. Each atrocity is horrible in its own way, but no single one is worse than all others. By body count, Stalin's atrocities exceed Hitler's. Stalin's Ukrainian Holodomor alone, scarcely even mentioned, is of the same order of magnitude as the Holocaust. Chinese atrocities throw them all in the shade.

Similar deceptions abound in crime. Oliver's chronicle goes back to the 2012 Travon Martin case. He continues through the death in Ferguson of the 300-pound Michael Brown and then to George Floyd. In each case the media portrayed the criminal instigators who wound up dead as virtual saints. It came out only after some serious sleuthing, certainly not by the mainstream press, that they were all habitual criminals. His book concludes with DeCarlos Brown, whose unprovoked murder of young Ukrainian refugee Iryna Zarutka turned out to be a bridge too far. No amount of media spin could whitewash that horror. They got egg on their face.

There is no empirical support for the claim that there are no systemic differences among peoples. This fact was acknowledge a century ago even by blacks themselves, such as [Booker T. Washington](#), [W.E.B DuBois](#) and Frederick Douglass. The differences are supported by a century and a quarter of IQ testing, and books such as [The Bell Curve](#). Generation Z sees through the transparent lies and has become quite jaded.

But the capstone deception was Covid 19. Everything about it was a lie. More than that, each of the lies came apart on within days and weeks of their having been told. Social distancing; the masks; the

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lockdowns; the vaccine effectiveness; its transmissibility; its dangers; spike protein shedding; vaccine effects on health and fertility. Every aspect of the whole Covid 19 fiasco turned out to be a lie. More than that, the web of lies was perpetrated by the military governments, the media, the schools and universities, and every other institution. And generation Z was paying attention.

The supposed value of education – quality delivered and its price - was another lie that came more and more obvious. [Diane Ravitch](#) and [John Gatto wrote](#) about the serious shortcomings of American education half a century ago. The rumbles got increasingly loud throughout Oliver's lifetime that college was not worth the money. A number of books showed up to the effect that saddling yourself with a lifetime of debt just for a college degree was a huge mistake. DEI was hollowing out the substance of education while inflation pushed the cost well into six figures.

Interwoven throughout all of these other lies in the realm of education was the evil white man meme, repeated in every class at every opportunity in school. The evil white man had enslaved the black man, driven the red man off his land, colonized throughout the world and unfairly enriched himself at everybody else's expense. There was a pervasive theme that white people themselves were evil. It is a centerpiece of [Howard Zinn's](#) American histories. The state-owned British Broadcasting Corporation produced a supposedly humorous series of books and videos to this effect called "[Horrible Histories](#)."

Oliver notes that a certain subset of the white race conveniently recategorizes itself as a separate race for the purpose of these discussions. This subset joins with obviously nonwhite races to point a finger of condemnation at the rest of us white people – the indigenous Europeans, who identify ourselves by the names of the countries of our ancestors - as hopeless racists.

Feminism had been advancing since the early in the 20th century, getting a second breath with second wave feminism in the early 60. The movement gained strength, with Gen Z bearing the full brunt of it. White men were systematically discriminated against.

Oliver notes that Gen Z women had the choice to support their men, their mates, or to turn on them. It was more profitable in the short term to turn against them. The conflict between men and women became exacerbated over the past couple of decades. The political gap between AWFUL (affluent white feminist urban liberals) and Gen Z men became much more marked.

Gen Z men have come to realize that they truly are alone, friendless in the modern world. They have no allies among people of any other race or with the other gender. Or the other genders – many new genders have been recently invented, all of them on claiming that straight white men were uniquely reprehensible, holding as they did the upper hand in society. They cling to these dogmas against all statistical evidence, against the evidence of everybody's eyes, which show that straight white men are being uniquely discriminated against.

Oliver points to a list of sequence of heroes who have emerged over the past couple of decades, each offering promise, but generally found to have feet of clay. The first he mentions is Jordan Peterson, who did not want to put up with the nonsense of equality. Peterson, however, treaded carefully around the questions that would be associated with race and heredity. Even conservatives were

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uncomfortable with the notion of heritable differences among the races. Tucker Carlson also gets a mention, as somebody who was brave enough to fight against the predominant narrative, but not brave enough to go all the way. Joe Rogan gets high marks generally throughout. He had the broadcast that would invite anybody on as a guest to give them a platform. It was there that the iniquities got exposure.

Oliver mentions also Eric and Bret Weinstein, grouping them as the IDW, Intellectual Dark Web. Generally favorable, although they too refuse to see the profound differences among the groupings of mankind. We note this even now as Bret Weinstein and has opposed the on war in Iran. He does not see there being as great a gulf between the natures of the different peoples involved as does generation Z.

On the other hand, Oliver does not endorse on the United States' interventions in Iran, starting with June 2025. Quite the opposite. He considers it none of America's business and says that the United States should concern itself with the welfare of born Americans.

One of his stronger quibble with Trump is that Trump allowed himself to be supported by formerly Democrat, neocon donors in his 2024 election campaign. Trump was also strongly supported by Indians in the in high-tech sector and aligned with their advocacy of H1B visas.

It is delightful to read Oliver's take on the H1 B on immigrants with whom he worked within the last decade at Tesla. His observations are quite similar to [my own of 30 and 40 years ago](#) when Indian immigrants were first starting to be a factor on the American labor scene. Oliver has been bold enough to say what most people only think. These H1B folks will say anything, kiss anybody's ass, and look out for each other regardless of talent or any other consideration. It may not be stated, but that's what most of us in the computer industry thought at the time I retired in the late 1990s.

The Gen Z hero who will boldly gore the most sacred of cows is [Nick Fuentes](#). Oliver has a long chapter on him. It echoes on what came out when Tucker Carlson interviewed him. The man is simply not afraid to say what he thinks. Like Oliver, Fuentes is attacked as an antisemite for simply asking questions. These questions are not new. They are the same questions that Kevin McDonald asked three decades ago when he wrote his trilogy on the Jews culminating with [A People That Shall Dwell Alone](#).

Oliver notes that anybody who questions the Holocaust gets mercilessly attacked What he fails to note is that this includes Jews themselves such as David Cole and Norman Finkelstein writing [The Holocaust Industry](#).

Oliver points out the hypocrisy in almost every question he discusses. With regard to men and women, on it is readily accepted that women the surpassed men in many areas. One of them is patience with children, another is intuition on in the social sense, on politeness in social situations. All this goes without comment. However, whenever somebody says that that men are superior to women in a given area of endeavor, we get pushback.

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Whether it's such an obvious thing as physical strength for firemen and soldiers, or analytical thought, such as on finance, war, engineering, or whatever else on the immediate objection is that women are just as good as men, although proof is seldom offered. There it is a double standard.

It applies also to questions of race. Every other race is assumed to be equal to the white. How you dare you even question it! However, there are areas in which other races excel such as sports for blacks, chess and acrobatics for Russians, and mathematics for east Asian Oriental children. This is accepted as a matter of course. The playing field is never level. The white guy always has to fight an uphill battle just to be recognized as even equal.

On the question of race, Oliver points out that it's a slippery question as far as the Jews go. They slide back and forth easily between being white when it's a matter of convenience or Jewish when being of another race is more convenient. They seem more strident about white racism than those of other races. As followers of this reviewer will have noted.

Oliver leaves us with a couple of conundrums. While America should certainly look after its own interests instead of those of Israel, a strong argument can be made that Iran's nuclear ambitions were inimical to America's interests. Alex Berenson, Douglas Murray and Robert Malone make this case rather convincingly. [el gato malo](#) has a long, excellent piece on the subject.

As Samuel Huntington and Bernard Lewis wrote decades ago, Islam has long been hostile to the west. The Iran of the ayatollahs forty-seven years ago is very much the Iran of today. Throughout history there has been friction wherever Islam adjoins any other civilization – Chinese, Russian, African, Hindu or whatever. Oliver's notion that the US could avoid conflict appears naïve. The present war is not all the fault of neocon warmongers.

That concludes an assessment of the nature of the topics in the book. The organization is first-rate. The book is a truly what the title says, the history of the United States over the period Generation Z has been alive. It offers covers just most of the significant topics and the definitely offers the off the authors opinion. It's not strident, but it doesn't hide from the facts.

There are some topics that the author simply chooses not to address. Well-worked by others are things like global warming, species extinctions and the population bomb. Nonetheless, Oliver's positions on these topics could probably be easily intuited and aren't really relevant to the book.

This book is valuable because it is it offers an unvarnished view. Whether or not one agrees does not matter. The news is that the topics addressed and the questions raised are widely held by members of Gen Z and have been widely on pooh-poohed, ignored, deplatformed, suppressed, censored and condemned by older generations.

To return to Oliver's part went of departure, he does not claim to be right. He does not claim to know the truth. He does claim that it is obvious that his generation has been lied to. So, the book does not ask the reader to accept some truth that he will reveal so much as a plea - Please, somebody, help us cut through these cobwebs of lies and let the truth be told.

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Oliver probably had a hard time finding a publisher. Not too many stores will want to carry the book. When I made my purchase, it was available only from publisher Arktos. It is since available from Amazon, but only as an expensive paperback.

In a free society, one should have the freedom to ask and even to believe answer that the system. At any rate, average readers curious about this should go to the [Arktos website](#) and order the book downloaded for five dollars on in e-book format. You want to also download a free book reader; I recommend the [Aquile Reader](#).

Oliver would say, and I would too, that if you find the events that are transpiring today to be confusing and inexplicable, you might pursue the questions that Oliver asks and see if they don't have answers. Unraveling the mysteries of the day on would be much easier if his questions were answered.