A Documentary History Of The Negro People In The United States

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This work rescues from oblivion and loss, the A documentary history of the Negro people in the United States. A towering work of scholarship, this first volume presents material from 1861 until the conclusion of the Civil War. The source and historical significance of each
In the English language, the word nigger is an ethnic slur typically directed at black people. The word originated in the 18th century as an adaptation of the Spanish negro, a descendant of the Latin adjective niger, which means black. It was used derogatorily, and by the mid-20th century, particularly in the United States, its usage by non-African Americans became unambiguously pejorative, a racist insult. Accordingly, it began to disappear from general popular culture. However it remained in use and