A Racial Cleansing in America is a Scene on Radio podcast that centers on the story of Corbin, Kentucky, where in 1919 a white mob forced the entire black population to leave. As the podcast examines, it was one of many racial expulsions in the United States. Discussion questions:

1. Were you surprised hearing David Sloane, one of only ten African Americans in Corbin, describe his recent encounter with a white toddler in the town? Why?
2. What events and factors created a “tense and violent” race climate throughout the US in 1919?
3. How did towns throughout America like Corbin expel Black families en masse between the Civil War and the 1920s?
4. Why is it that so few residents of Corbin and the surrounding communities today know of the violent expulsion of African American residents beginning in 1919? What are the implications for white and Black residents not knowing this history?
5. Racial or ethnic cleansing is a term most often used in American schools and media to describe other countries that systemically remove or exterminate people based on their race or ethnicity. Why do you think American institutions rarely, if ever, acknowledge or discuss racial cleansing within America?