

What is the lasting legacy of slavery in the U.S.?

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[This forgotten language is seeing a revival thanks to TikTok](#) is a 2021 NBC News story on the Tut language. Sample questions:

1. How did learning and speaking Tut provide enslaved persons agency and a form of defiance?
2. Why do you think the history of the Tut language was unknown to so many Americans for so long?
3. Beyond the presence of social media like Tik Tok, do you think there are other reasons why the Tut language is suddenly being discussed in public and learned by new generations of Black Americans?
4. Explain the tension between those who want Tut to remain “underground” and those who want to publicize it. What are both sides’ arguments? What do you think?