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TURNING POINTS

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USING THE PAST

How does the past help us make sense of the present?

- How is the past similar to the present?
- How is the past different from the present?
- What can we learn from the past?








THROUGH THEIR EYES

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- How did their worldview affect their choices and actions?
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