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I concur with the statement, "Those who don't know history won't be able to improve the present," since history can help provide us with a sense of identity; thus, transforming to become better in the future requires us to understand the past. The black lives matter movement that was recently instituted to defend the killings and excessive use of force by law enforcement agencies on black American's is an issue that has drawn so much attention all over the world. The issue of racial discrimination had previously been witnessed during the reign of the late Martin Luther King Jr. He assisted in organizing the initial major protest of the African American civil rights movement, which informed my understanding of the recent events of racial profiling and discrimination that have been witnessed recently in the United States. Consequently, there is noticeable change concerning how black American's are treated as a result of the black lives matter movement.

I would be cognizant of presentism in relating the present to the past because I would necessarily focus on the unbiased information that already exists on this topic. Additionally, to detach the effect of the contemporary cultural environment from the historical events. In the learning of previous events, it would be essential to bear in mind the idea of being equitable towards the evidence concerning historical occurrences. Subsequently, it is familiar that the observation of the existing surrounding situation and the societal interaction lived by the researchers could harm the study of historical events. Hence, it would be significant for me to draw a line to disconnect the information conforming to each period without adjusting history accounts. Through the present, but still, conclusive evidence applies in connecting the previous and the present events.

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