



Carol Talbot

*Growing Up Black in Canada*

Thematic approaches

African Canadian long presence in Ontario/Canada: in various chapters, Talbot talks about family, elders, generations of family history. Windsor, and southwestern Ontario, are important sites for studying the Underground Railroad, and other ways that African Americans fleeing slavery came to Canada.

Neighbourhood and community: “mental map” and “folk geography”

Schooling/Education: Talbot’s experiences, especially in predominantly white schools; her father’s access to secondary education.

Struggle for rights: especially the work of her father.

Gender: especially regarding her mother’s access to employment

Labour; racism and sexism in employment

African Canadian culture: music (identifying the various genres and artists in the chapter), food (identifying, comparing, finding recipes)

Hair

Diaspora and increasing heterogeneity of black population

Some resources:

[African Canadian Windsor](#)

[Ottawa Citizen, Freedom series](#)