

The Evolution of Malcolm X

Read the following quotation from Malcolm X's 1964 speech, "The Ballot or the Bullet." In two to three paragraphs, explain what you think X meant by his statement. Make sure your interpretation is informed by historical context.

"Three hundred and ten years we worked in this country without a dime in return—I mean without a <i>dime</i> in return. You let the white man walk around here talking about how rich this country is, but you never stop to think how it got rich so quick."		

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