

“You’ve Got To Be Carefully Taught”

Rodgers and Hammerstein – *South Pacific*



You've got to be taught to hate and fear.

What is the message of the song?

You've got to be taught from year to year.

It's got to be drummed in your dear little ear.

You've got to be carefully taught.

*You've got to be taught to be afraid
Of people whose eyes are oddly made*

What connections do you have to the lyrics?

And people whose skin is a different shade.

You've got to be carefully taught.

You've got to be taught before it's too late

Why does the lyricist refer to age?

Before you are six or seven or eight

To hate all the people your relatives hate.

You've got to be carefully taught.

Do you agree with the message?

You've got to be carefully taught.