English 102 Roth Diagnostic Writing Prompt

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| You are having coffee with Colin Kaepernick. When you ask him how others are reacting to his kneeling during the National Anthem, he answers that some people support his kneeling while others see it as a sign of disrespect.    He says, however, the biggest problem is that since he said he would continue the protest until “he was satisfied with the changes made toward ending racial oppression in the United States,” most people wanted to know what specific steps they could take or support to make things better, and what specific changes he would be looking for. He asks for your advice regarding both.  In a short essay, please suggest specific steps he could suggest others take or support.  Once you identify a step, please explain why it might be worthwhile and share ideas about how it might be implemented.    In addition, identify specifically what “changes made toward ending racial oppression” Colin should look for. In other words, what specific signs would convince him that real changes had been made regarding racial oppression in the United States. |