



# Amerindios venezolanos y textos escolares: Las expresiones de la discriminación antes del currículo nacional bolivariano

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