## DEREK CHAUVIN VERDICT

OJ aside, a verdict coming this soon is often, if not usually, a tell. While we do not yet know what it is, this is a thread to discuss it.

## AMANDA GORMAN MADE SILVESTER BEAMAN SAD, JOE BIDEN HAPPY, AND JOHN LEWIS DANCE

Just as the 23 year old John Lewis spoke on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in 1963, so the 22 year old Amanda Gorman stood at the other end of the Mall, on the steps of the Capitol in which John Lewis served until he died, and she is taking this nation one more step forward.

## AND THE GOOD TROUBLEMAKING GOES ON

I went to bed in tears last night.

They weren't tears of pain or shock or outrage. They were the tears you cry when the last of your grandparents "goes home." They're the tears of grief at the loss you've suffered, and the tears that say "It's your turn now." You have to tell the stories you learned at their knees, as you go on to make a difference in the lives of others as they made a difference in your life.

I'm still in tears this morning, because I've got lots of stories to tell.