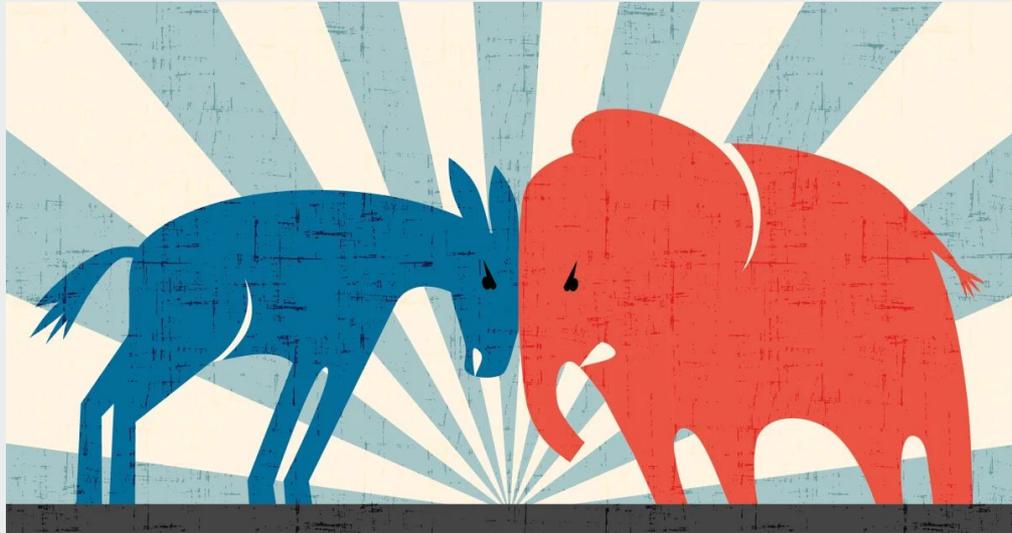


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# Political Ideologies





# **Activity:** **Republican/Democrat/Double Down**



## Question 1

During the 19th century this party supported or tolerated slavery, and it opposed civil rights reforms after the American Civil War in order to keep the support of Southern voters.

**Answer: Democratic Party**



## Question 2

Due to influence from Thomas Jefferson this party adopted their name due to their anti-monarchical views.

**Answer: Republican Party**



### Question 3

In the 18th Century this party advocated for a decentralized government with limited powers.

**Answer: Republican Party**



## Question 4

This party proposed the policy of a Green New Deal, which would address climate change by investing government money in more environmentally friendly jobs and more energy efficient infrastructure.

**Answer: Democratic Party**



## Question 5

During the Great Depression, under FDR, this party regained the presidency and replaced their opposing party as the majority party.

**Answer: Democratic Party**



## Question 6

This party supports states' rights against the power of the federal government.

**Answer: Republican Party**



## Question 7

This party advocates to reduce taxes as a way to stimulate the economy and advance individual economic freedom.

**Answer: Republican Party**



## Question 8

Most involved in this party advocate for a strong separation of church and state.

**Answer: Democratic Party**



## Question 9

In the 2016 presidential election this party had Donald Trump as their electoral candidate who in that year won the 2016 election.

**Answer: Republican Party**



## Question 10

This party believes that government regulation on firearms is unconstitutional and is an infringement on the individual right to bear arms

**Answer: Republican Party**



## Question 11

This party's National Convention is typically attended by 4,000 delegates.

**Answer: Democratic Party**



## Question 12

During the 2016 election, Hillary Clinton was this party's electoral candidate, and although she won the popular vote, she did not win the election.

**Answer: Democratic Party**



## Question 13

This party's National Convention consists of about 150 party leaders representing all U.S. states and territories.

**Answer: Republican Party**



## Question 14

This party favour increased government regulation of the private lives of citizens in areas such as abortion.

**Answer: Republican Party**

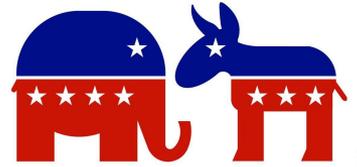


## Question 15

This party is less likely to support organized prayer in public schools, but advocates more for the recognition of equal rights for those who identify with the LGBTQ+ community.

**Answer: Democratic Party**

# Political Parties



- Political Party
  - A team of men and women seeking to control the governing apparatus by gaining office in a duly constituted election.
- There are 100 + registered political parties in the United States of America with many different political viewpoints.
- In the U.S. there are only two nationally recognized political parties:
  - Republican Party
  - Democratic Party

# The Left vs. Right Political Spectrum

Left Wing

Right Wing



Anarchism



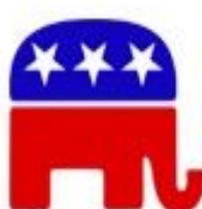
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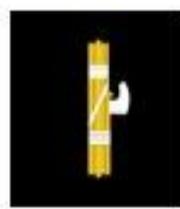
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Monarchism



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Fascism



Slavery

Freedom

Slavery

# Political Spectrum Video



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JIQ5fGECmsA>

## Discussion Question



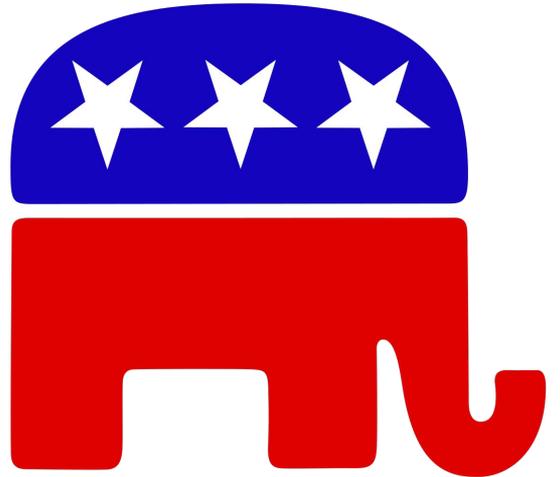
Based on the video you just watched, where do you think you lie on the political spectrum?

Do you think that the Political Spectrum is an accurate tool to determine what political party you associate with?

# Republican Party

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- Often referred as GOP (Grand Old Party)
- Modern Republican Party supports state's rights against the power of the federal government.
- Advocates to reduce taxes as a way to stimulate the economy and advance individual economic freedom.



# Republican Party

- Tend to oppose government regulation of:
  - The economy
  - Government funded social programs
  - Affirmative action
  - Policies aimed at strengthening the rights of workers.



## Discussion Question



What are your thoughts on the policy of increasing the minimum wage?

# Republican Party

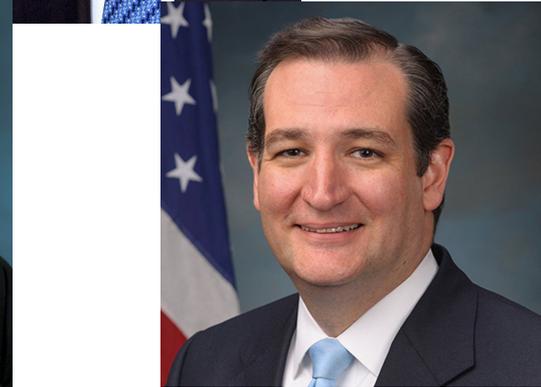
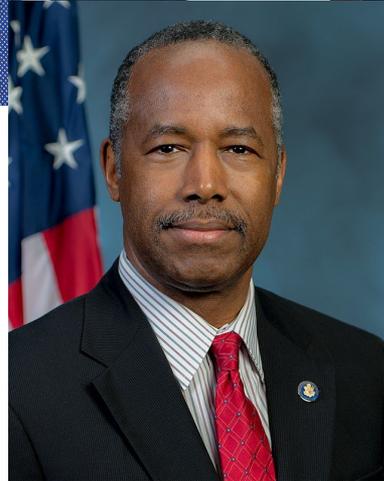
- Favour increased government regulation of the private lives of citizens in areas such as abortion.
- Strongly oppose gun-control legislation.



# Republican Figures

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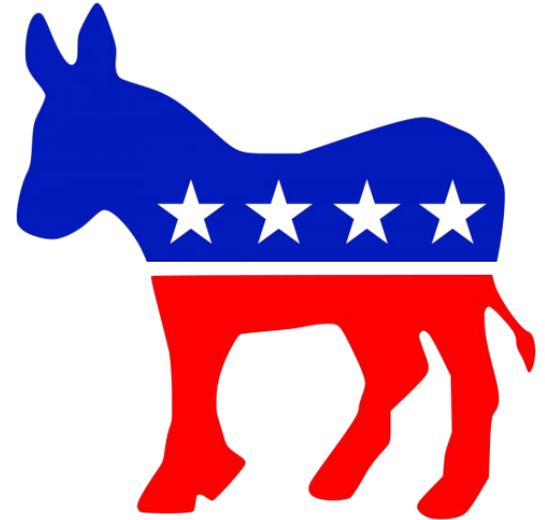
- Donald Trump
- George W. Bush
- Ben Carson
- Ted Cruz



# Democratic Party

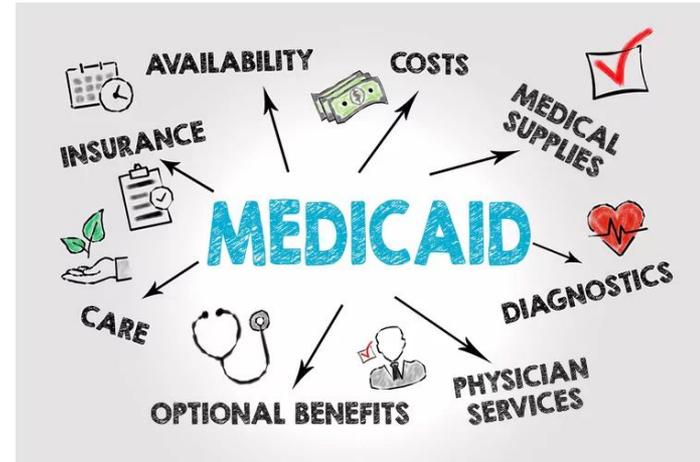
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- Generally associated with more progressive policies.
- Supports social and economic equality.
- Favors greater government intervention in the economy.



# Democratic Party

- Advocate more for the civil rights of minority groups.
- Support various social welfare programs
  - Medicaid
  - Food Stamps



# Democratic Party

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- Often support a progressive tax.
- Support
  - Environmental protection
  - Gun Control
  - Less-strict immigration laws
  - Workers rights
- Believe that the government should have no involvement in the private, non-economic lives of citizens.



# Democratic Figures

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- Barack Obama
- Jimmy Carter
- Bernie Sanders
- Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez



# Party Platform

- National Convention
  - Meeting of party delegates every four years to choose a presidential and vice presidential candidate as well as write the party's platform.
- National Committee
  - Keeps each party operating between conventions.
  - Composed of representatives from the states and territories.



# Republican National Convention (RNC)

- Held every four years since 1856.
- Nominees are chosen by delegates which are selected through primary elections.
- Gathers around 2,000 delegates.



# Democratic National Convention (DNC)

- Held every four years since 1832.
- Nominees are chosen by delegates which are selected through primary elections.
- Gathers around 4,000 delegates.



## Essential Question:



How have ideologies of the two major parties shaped policy debate?



“...has always stood for freedom, prosperity, and opportunity. Today, as those principles come under attack, we are engaged in a national effort to fight for our proven agenda, tak our message to every America, grow the party, promote election integrity, and elect up and down the ballot.”

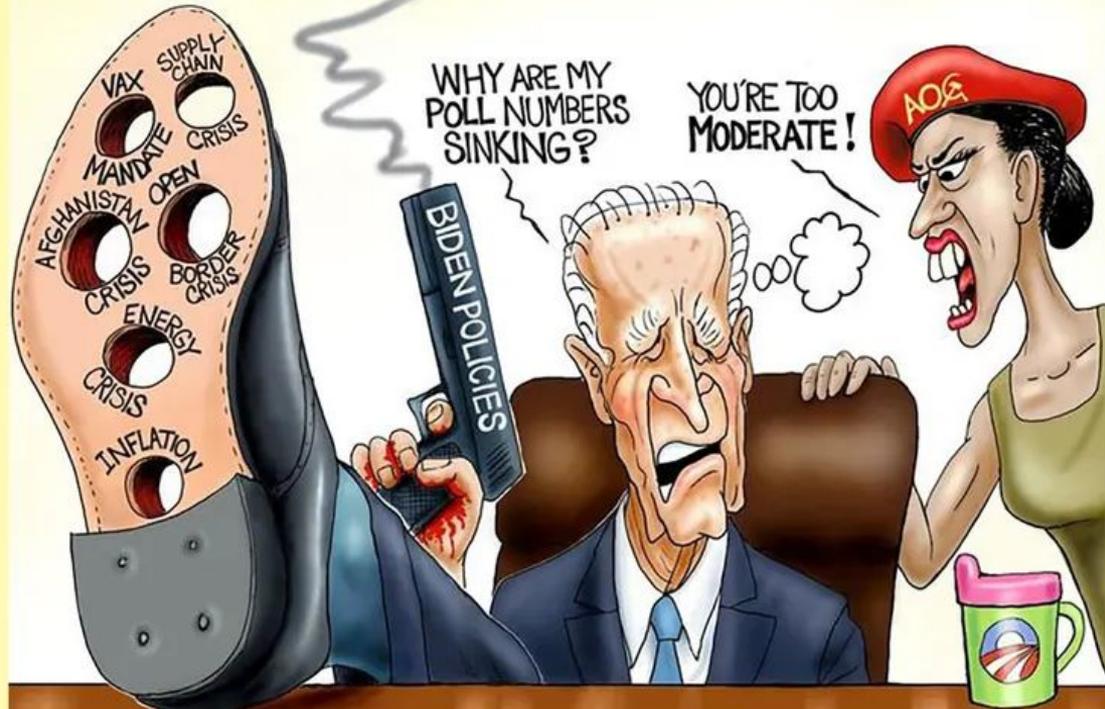
- The Republican National Committee

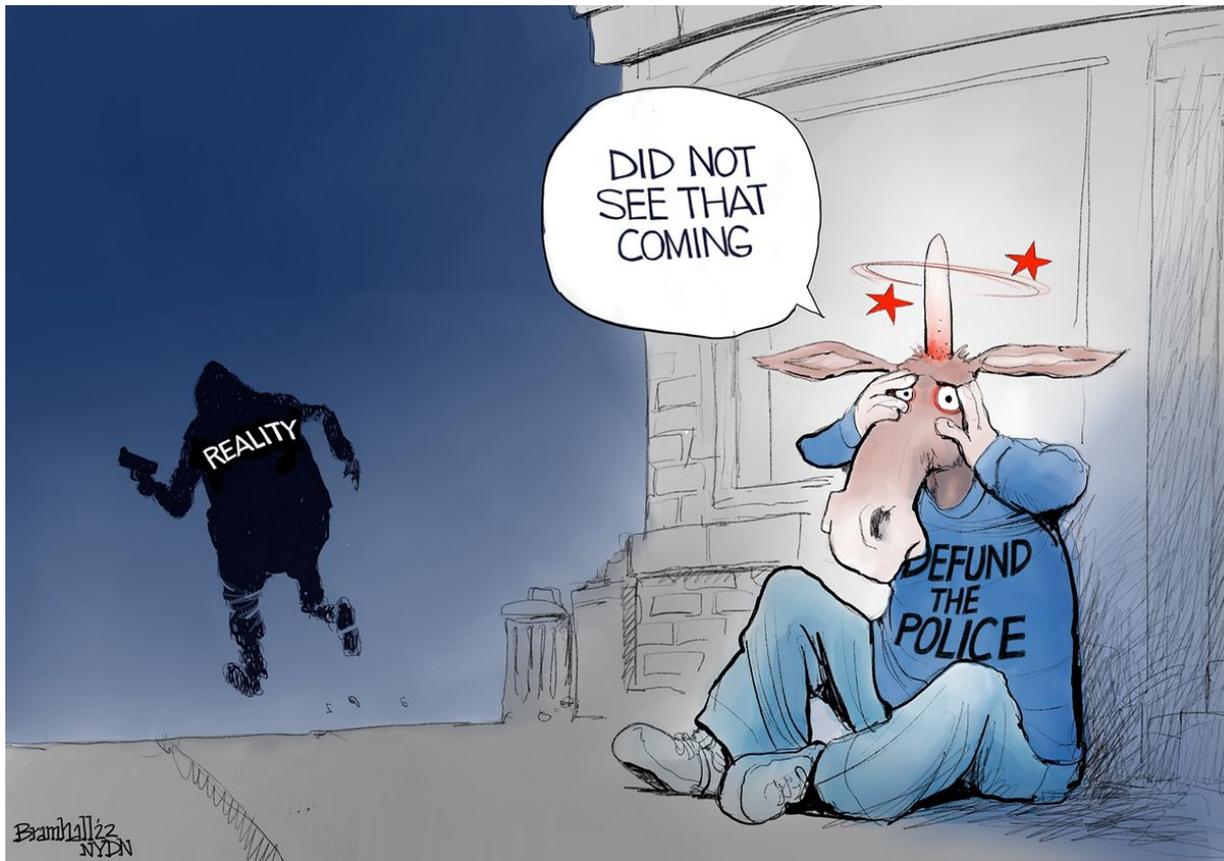


“We are fighting for a better, fairer, and brighter future for every American: rolling up our sleeves, empowering grassroots voters and organizing everywhere to build back better.”

- Democratic National Committee

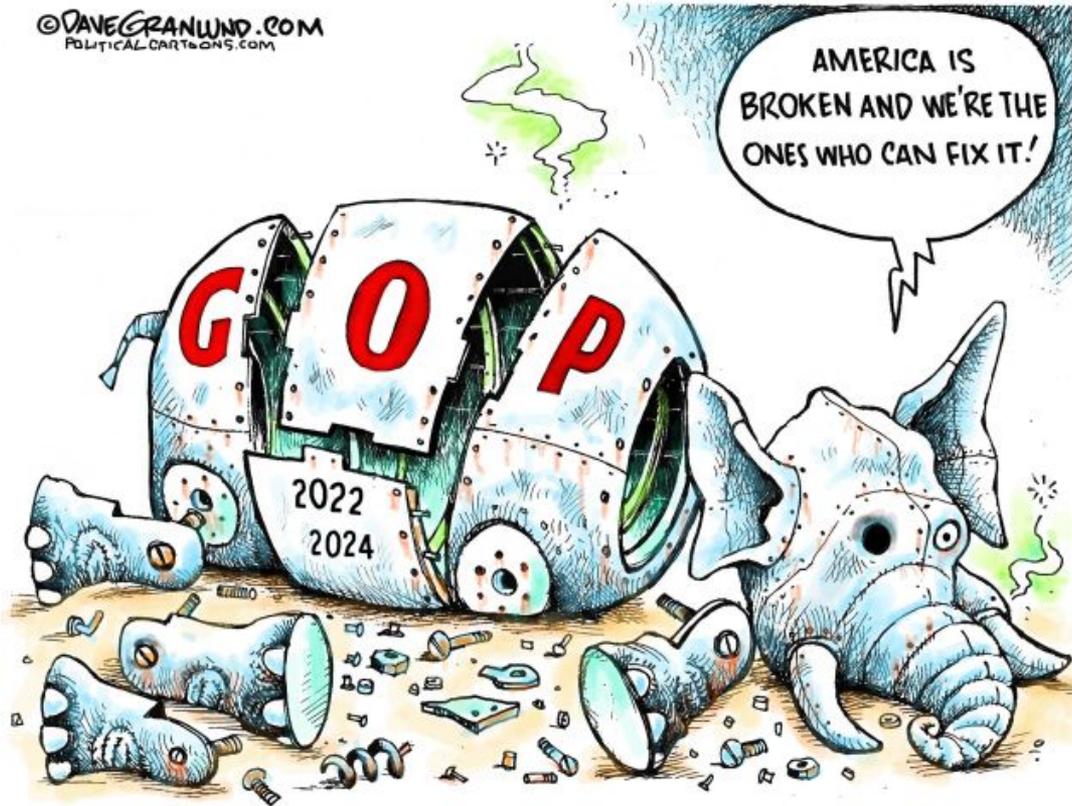
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# Survey Assignment

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- Go on to Classroom and take the Political Party Survey
  - <https://www.isidewith.com/political-quiz>
- When you are finished with the survey and get your results, look at your result and find what you notice.
- Take out a sheet of paper and answer these two questions:
  - What were the results of your survey?
  - Do you agree? Disagree? Why?