

Test Your Political Ideology

Are You Liberal, Conservative, or Something Else?

Directions: Complete the three on-line political ideology tests and answer the reflection questions.

Instructions...

1. Visit "The World's Smallest Political Quiz" <http://www.theadvocates.org/quiz/quiz.php>
2. Complete the ideology Quiz.
3. Answer the Question regarding "World's Smallest" (see below)
4. Visit the "Nolan Chart" <http://www.polquiz.com>
5. Complete the "Nolan Chart" ideology quiz
6. **Answer the Questions** regarding "Nolan Chart" (see below)
7. Visit "Political Compass" <http://www.politicalcompass.org>
8. Complete the "Political Compass" ideology quiz
9. Review the Results page (which contains your results, and the results of world leaders)
10. **Answer the questions** regarding "Political Compass" (see below)
11. Visit "Beyond Red & Blue" <http://www.people-press.org/quiz/political-typology/>
12. Complete the Ideology Quiz
13. **Answer the Questions** regarding "Beyond Red & Blue" (see below)
14. Visit "I Side With" <https://www.isidewith.com/political-quiz>
15. Complete the Political Party Quiz

Note: You must know what quadrant you are in (from Political Compass) for class – so please remember!

Reflection Questions... [Due: 9/17 and 9/18.]

World's Smallest:

- 1) With so few questions proposed to takers of this test, what are the failings and limitations of the design?
- 2) Opinion: Did ten questions give you an accurate read of your politics? Why?

Nolan Chart:

- 3) What was the category that the Nolan Chart said was the best match for you? What were your percentage agreements in the Social and Economic categories?
- 4) Do you think you actually match with this category? Do you feel Social or Economic was a closer match? Which questions do you feel were most accurate? (minimum 1 paragraph)

Political Compass:

- 5) What quadrant did you find yourself placed in?
- 6) What were your coordinates?
- 7) Are there any known world leaders/figures that are close to where you are? Reflect.

Beyond Red & Blue:

- 8) What category did you fit into? What percentage of American public fit into your category?
- 9) What are some of your "defining values?"
- 10) Who makes up your group?
- 11) What are some things you learned about your Political Typology when comparing yours to others?

I Side With:

- 12) What party were you matched with? What Presidential candidate were you matched up with? What are the listed factors that you share with the top candidate? What percentage match are you for both party and candidate?
- 13) Do you agree that you are a good match with this Presidential candidate in 2020? Why?

Overall:

- 14) How do you think the following has shaped your ideology (select at least 3 to talk about): race, gender, age, religion, and socioeconomic level, or the media? How have these factors contributed to your political socialization?
- 15) Do your test results **support** or **contradict** what you believe your political ideology to be? (minimum 2 paragraphs)

Key Terms That May Be Helpful In Your Understanding...

Conservative: A political ideology that, although changing in meaning, adheres to the following principles and practices: on economic matters, it does not favor government efforts to ensure that everyone has a job; on civil rights, does not favor strong federal action to desegregate schools and increase hiring opportunities for minorities; and on political conduct, does not favor tolerance toward protest demonstrations, legalizing marijuana, or protecting the rights of the accused.

Liberal: A political ideology that, although changing in meaning, adheres to the following principles and practices: on economic matters, it favors government efforts to ensure that everyone has a job; on civil rights, it favors strong federal action to desegregate schools and increase hiring opportunities for minorities; and on political conduct, it favors tolerance toward protest demonstrations, legalizing marijuana, and protecting the rights of the accused.

Libertarians: An adherent of a political ideology that is conservative on economic matters and liberal on social ones. The ideology's goal is the creation of a small, weak government.

Populists: An adherent of a political ideology that is liberal on economic matters and conservative on social ones. It believes the government should reduce economic inequality but regulate personal conduct.

Authoritarian: Of or pertaining to a governmental or political system, principle, or practice in which individual freedom is held as completely subordinate to the power or authority of the state, centered either in one person or a small group that is not constitutionally accountable to the people. Favors complete obedience or subjection to authority as opposed to individual freedom.