

Blame Game Based on U.S. Political Compass

	Political left	Commonalities	Political right
P r o - i n s t i t u t i o n i d e o l o g y	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Democrats and socialists see themselves as balancing justice & mercy, protecting the powerless ● Accuse preppers of wanting a doomsday societal and government collapse as a restart, preparing for their own survival but ignoring the devastation that an un-governed society or period of chaos would have on others, especially the poor ● Classified the alt-right as a terrorist extremist movement, misogynist, nationalist(isolationist), neo-Nazi, neo-fascist, homophobic, white supremacist, neo-confederate (“hate groups”) wanting “freedom” to self-regulate (oppress & exploit) ● Accuse opposition of paying a minority of scientists to counter an overwhelming scientifically-backed climate change consensus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Authoritarians see themselves as pillars of civilized society ● Blame the individual gun-owners for school shootings and street violence ● Blame the anarchists for wanting a society in which “might makes right” and the weak or gentle can be oppressed by domineering, violent, or greedy individuals, with no legal recourse for protection and justice, demanding rights for themselves but not for all 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Republicans, conservatives, & hawks see themselves as “making the world safe” for freedom, for collaborative and individual economic enterprise to thrive ● Accuse opposition (top left) of rejection of their responsibility for informed political involvement, fostering escapist drug culture, escapist “spirituality” ● Blame Dems for ignoring human nature such as the tragedy of the commons = individuals tend to over-use jointly owned resources at unsustainable rates, undetected social loafing benefits the lazy in a shared outcome situation, non-competition results in inefficiency of keeping nonproductive work roles, which is ultimately unsustainable ● Blame Democrats for ignoring that indiscriminate rescuing leads to increase in underclass and spread of inferior genes, then poorer quality of life for all
Co m mo na l itie s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Liberals see themselves as rescuing poor & marginalized from unjust policies & prejudice that create uneven playing field ● Trickle-down policies promoting increased wealth disparity as politicians are “bought” to promote business-friendly policies ● Democrats blame the republicans (capitalists) for taking unfair advantage of tax loopholes, government subsidies as corporate welfare (not a true free market) ● Labor party blames capitalists for taking unfair advantage of workers, “living wage” 	Centrist Blame others for being too extreme & myopic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Capitalists see themselves as job creators, saying bootstrap, be productive, create value ● Blame democrats for rescuing the poor at the expense of the middle class, thinking all would be better off if Dems stopped enabling some to avoid work & live at the expense of others ● Blame rich democrats for buying votes of the poor with promise of Robin Hood role of redistribution of wealth thru welfare or wage ● Blame for encouraging victim mentality, reducing incentive for efficient work & innovation, allowing welfare queens & derelict

A n t i - e s t a b l i s h m e n t i d e o l o g y	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pacifist, apolitical, or Green see themselves as promoting a peaceful sustainable society where all can engage in “pursuit of happiness” ● Accuse opposition of win-lose zero sum power dynamic, exploitation ● “greed is good” economy = rape of the earth, hypercompetitive buyouts result in monopolies ● Christian fundamentalists impose moral absolutes related to reproductive rights ● Blame big government for tax for “corporate welfare” subsidies and allowing corporate crime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Anarchists & libertarians see selves as liberators ● Blame big government for bullying, taking so much in taxes that they can’t divorce themselves from the system to be independent, untaxed, and self-sufficient such as on a small farm or off-grid homestead 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Alt-right & tea party see themselves as safeguarding the constitution & ideals championed by the founding fathers, defenders of individual rights, ensuring freedom for practicing Christianity ● Accuses opposition of moving toward totalitarian communism, with the UN as a harbinger of Orwellian new world order, eco-myths used to promote a need for international cooperation = NWO ● Accuses opposition of promoting a welfare state or parental “nanny state,” unfairly favoring women & minorities ● Blame big government for forcing them by tax to subsidize non-working poor
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It's not exactly about capitalism, but I see I skipped some logical steps there. I suppose it's somewhat more an issue of republican ideology that competition is good and necessary, and "forcing" us to be constrained by laws for cooperative behavior (i.e., government regulation) is a refusal to accept the way things are. Primatologist Frans de Waal noted that the capitalist ethos has been built around an idea of competition (and mistaking the idea of "survival of the fittest" to be "of the strongest") being simply natural, while he highlights more the cooperativeness of primates. My sense is that stories of existence beyond death could give people reason to understand humans as connected to each other and having a larger purpose than merely survival, which might help them adopt a kinder perspective as well as overcome existential angst. Thanks for allowing me to clarify. I have no intent to promote an idea that atheists would be less ethical. Humanists I rather would far more trust to act compassionately than bible thumpers who justify their aggression based on some interpretation of justice. Examples of liberals as Venezuela vs. social safety net democracies Canada and Scandinavian countries.