

The Political Spectrum

Radical	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	Reactionary
Future!		Status Quo!		Past!

Case 1

Mayor Chan has decided that there is currently a crisis in Skokie! Old Orchard Mall is not making enough money, and something new is needed to bring in more business. Chan decides to develop something in Skokie that hasn't been done in at least two generations: a farming industry! He decides to rip down part of Old Orchard Mall and hires some outside farmers to come and use the land like a nice big plantation! Other areas in Skokie are ripped down like this, and soon, farms are becoming very popular. What part of the political spectrum is Chan in?

Case 2

Lord Chan lives a very comfortable life in his castle in the countryside of England. He decides that his castle is not big enough, and he wants to live an even more lavish lifestyle. He wants larger gardens, more castle to live in, more horses in his stable, and more land to control. Chan decides to raise taxes on the peasants and serfs who live on his land in order to meet these goals. He believes that the people should help support these plans because he has and always will be their ruler. He believes that he knows what is best for the people because they are incapable of deciding things for themselves. What part of the political spectrum is Chan in?

Case 3

Chan is part of a revolutionary society that wants to take down the government ruled by a dictator. He believes that the government should ideally represent all people, and elections should be held for all political positions. He hires hitmen to take out any supporters of the dictator. He raises an army to fight a civil war against the dictator's government. He tries to negotiate with the dictator personally, but after several failed attempts, Chan believes that violence is the only way to remove him from power. What part of the political spectrum is Chan in?

Case 4

Julius Jones believes that the United States government does not help the poor people in this country enough. He believes that ideally, everyone in the United States should be happy, free, and wealthy enough to live comfortably. Julius writes a letter to our current president- President Chan. In his letter, he says that our economy has been good in the past, and Chan should help pass laws to setup government programs for the poor by helping them get jobs. Julius Jones ends his letter by saying that he hopes some change will occur. What part of the political spectrum is Julius Jones in?

Case 5

The year is 1935. Germany is currently weak and its economy has been very bad since the last World War. A new leader named Adolf Hitler comes, and he decides to blame the Jews for many of Germany's problems. He declares Germany a country for the "Aryan" or superior race, and all ethnic minorities are being persecuted in public. Hitler becomes a dictator, which is very different from the type of government Germany had in the past. He says that the "Aryans" are the rightful rulers of the world and the changes he wants to make are for its future. What part of the Political Spectrum is Hitler a part of?

Case 6

President Chan believes that there are serious problems with the economy. He thinks that government programs aren't really helping people find jobs. He believes that the economy will sort of "fix itself" if we leave it alone. Chan wants to change our government policies. He cuts the programs that are supposed to "stimulate" the economy and he begins to allow big businesses to operate without too many laws or restrictions to hold them back. A lot of people get upset with Chan, and some even protest his plan. President Chan says that the plan will eventually open up jobs for more people and it will take some time before anything happens. What part of the political spectrum is Chan in?

Case 7

Violence has erupted in the Middle- East (again) and only one person can save the day! That's right, Mr. Chan is the man! Islamic Fundamentalists are saying that Middle-Eastern countries should strictly run their countries according to Islamic beliefs and the sacred Koran. Other Middle-Easterners are saying that Modernization and Industrialization is important and help from the United States and other Europeans is a good thing. Civil War breaks out in many Middle-Eastern countries, and it goes on for 10 years. Chan tries to step in and make peace so that life would go back to normal as it had been 10 years ago. He sets up peace talks between the Islamic Fundamentalists and other groups in order to stop the fighting. Chan invites both sides to come to his home and discuss their problems. Before the talks begin, Chan is seen walking around the garden of his home watering the plants. A car pulls up and someone tosses a brick which hits Chan and he is put into the hospital. The peace talks fail, and the fighting begins again. Fundamentalists call Chan a Radical and say the talks never would have worked. Other Middle-Easterners call him a Reactionary and say the talks never would have worked. What part of the political spectrum is Mr. Chan?

Case 8

Alien Mutant Killer Bunnies have come and invaded the United States! With the help of our advanced technology and killer weaponry, the bunnies stand no chance! The United States successfully destroys the invading Bunny army and takes very few losses. After the threat is gone, President Chan is not sure how to make the people feel safe. With the possible threat of a new invasion by the Alien Ugly Killer Bees from a different planet, President Chan decides to strengthen our security. The army is now in control of the police. Police officers now carry machine guns on the street. Any mention of the word "bunny" or "bee" will result in jail time. Chan feels that these changes will help the United States become more secure and safe as it should be. What part of the political spectrum is Chan in?