

Read article [American Polity is Cracked and Might Collapse](#)

Discussion questions:

Q. What does the author suggest are the causes of the current weak state of American democracy?	
Q. Separate the causes into short term and long term below:	
SHORT TERM	LONG TERM
Q. What does the author suggest are the consequences of the challenges facing America?	
Q. The author highlights some historic continuities between the Trump administration tactics and other moments in history. Identify those continuities below:	
Q. How does this moment in time for America meet the criteria for historical significance?	
Extend your thinking: Read this article and build your evidence for the argument that America is facing a historically significant turning point.	
Extended Thinking:	