Clarifying Questions

Does our yearly challenges get cleared up after receiving our tax deduction back? Do corporations rule economic systems or is it powered by the government? How can net worth be easily defined? How does it impact economies/interaction of economies? What happens to people in socialism who work harder than others? Is it just to give a doctor the same amount of money as a couch potato?

Essential Questions

How do capitalism and a democracy work together to create an efficient system where everybody prospers?

What exactly were the Occupy Wall Street protesters upset about? Do they have a legitimate claim or was their anger misguided?

Is there a possible way to create a just economic system?

What role should the government have in the redistribution of society's wealth?

Historical

Which economic system has been historically successful? Or have any been successful? What was the process that took our economy to where it is today?

Statistical

Does education affect wealth? How many jobs do the wealthy actually create? What are the actual statistics and numbers that are being taxed? Where is our tax money going within the government?

Understanding Systems

Taxation and Government Spending
Why does our tax have to be redistributed?
How does social welfare and healthcare work?
How does the tax system work?

Economic Systems

What are ways other than taxation that the government influences the economy? Do the wealthy benefit from the economic system set in place in the U.S.? In socialism, wouldn't there be people on top who distribute the wealth and are more wealthy? What causes the accumulation of wealth gathering on the 1%? Does GDP accurately reflect economic styles practiced by different nations?

Ideological

How can the government create a more socially or economically stable system? What does money bring us? What motivations for growth are there other than money? What is wrong with our system that leaves some people with little to no wealth? Why do people want to get rid of food stamps?

Is there a better system in the world that we could base our system upon?