

Introduction to Politics

A hand-drawn illustration. On the left, a large, stylized hand with blue outlines holds a pencil. In the center, a temple with a blue roof and yellow walls is labeled 'DÉMOS KRÁTOS' on its front. Below the temple, a group of five people in yellow robes are cheering with their arms raised. To the right of the temple is a QR code.

Why democracy is still the best form of government.



Winston Churchill commented 'Democracy is the worst form of government, except for all the others.' Using the presentation in the TEDx film, what is your opinion regarding democracy? Does the integrity of a democratic system rely on the voting system in place (i.e. first past the post, Proportional Representation)?

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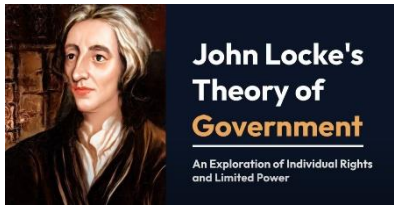
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Locke, Hobbes and Rousseau’s Ideas on Government and the Social Contract





John Locke's Theory of Government
An Exploration of Individual Rights and Limited Power



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PlgHLSzIliis>




<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9i4jb5XBX5s>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qvjrE5nc4xs>

Watch the videos above and provide an opinion regarding which thinker’s ideas you prefer. Try and compare each thinker.

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Political Ideologies



THREE MAIN POLITICAL IDEAS

There are three main ideologies or political ideas which influence how people think a country should be ran...

- Conservatism
- Liberalism
- Socialism




https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W_usvcJhpnQ


Watch the video. Which ideology do you support/subscribe to in your world view? Circle one of the options below:

Conservatism Liberalism Socialism Other:.....

Complete the political compass test below to explore your political beliefs by answering a set of propositions



The Political Compass
23 years



<https://politicalcompass.org/test>