

Many polls provide shocking examples of the ignorance of the majority of Americans about the free enterprise system, the Founders, civics, and the founding documents of our country.

- “The majority of millennials (58 percent) would prefer to live in a socialist, communist or fascist nation rather than a capitalist one,” according to a poll by the Victims of Communism Memorial Foundation. *Washington Times*, 2017
- 70 percent of millennials said they'd be somewhat or extremely likely to vote for a socialist candidate, according to a recent YouGov poll.
- A survey conducted by the University of Pennsylvania’s Annenberg Public Policy Center in 2017 found that most Americans are ignorant of basic facts about the Constitution. In their survey posted September, 2019, only 2 in 5 American adults (39%) correctly named the three branches of government: executive, legislative and judicial.
- The Oklahoma Council of Public Affairs commissioned a poll in 2009 that found that 77 percent of students in public high schools could not name George Washington as our first president. (A poll in Arizona had similar results.)
- Reported by Allan Brownfeld, CDN (Communities Digital News) in April, 2018:
 - “More Americans could identify Michael Jackson as the composer of “Beat It” and “Billie Jean” than could identify the Bill of Rights as a body of amendments to the U.S. Constitution.
 - “More than 50% of respondents attributed the quote, “*From each according to his ability to each according to his needs,*” to either Thomas Paine, George Washington or Barack Obama. The quote is actually from Karl Marx, author of *The Communist Manifesto*.
 - “More than a third polled did not know the century in which the American Revolution took place. Half of the respondents believed the Civil War, the Emancipation Proclamation or the War of 1812 were before the American Revolution.
 - “More than half misidentify the system of government established in the Constitution as a direct democracy, rather than a republic. However, this is a question that immigrants qualifying for U.S. citizenship must correctly answer.”

Education is the answer, but not the status quo!
We need new pro-American curriculum in our
schools from the Freedom Education
Foundation. Our 20-session FreedomCivics™
course is the best available.

The foundations of our Constitutional Republic and the free enterprise system have long been under attack. Our young people know little of the principles employed that resulted in wonderful freedom, prosperity and the greatest nation on earth. Ignorance and misinformation about economics have resulted in schools that teach that America is not good and not a beacon of freedom to the world. Instead of focusing on the “sins of the fathers” and denigrating the Founders and the United States of America, we must promote legislation in the states requiring standalone civics education classes and we must produce excellent curriculum for schools that teaches about the founding principles and Founding Documents that established the United States of America.

The FreedomCivics workbooks (Teacher’s and Student versions) include accurate and succinct history, as well as the inspired principles of the Founders. The curriculum includes sessions on the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation, the Northwest Ordinance, and the U.S. Constitution (including the Bill of Rights and all other amendments). It has been developed by historians, teachers and parents over the last four years. The courses include colonial and American Revolutionary War history, the full texts of the Founding Documents, 123 Discussion Questions, 8 Activities, Quizzes and a Final Exam. It also includes sections about the scourge of slavery and how our Constitution provides for corrective action by amending it and passing new laws. We will expend great effort advocating for adoption of civics education in the states, with a focus on the FreedomCivics course. All to work for a more perfect union.

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