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Subject: Political Compass

Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 03:10:25 GMT

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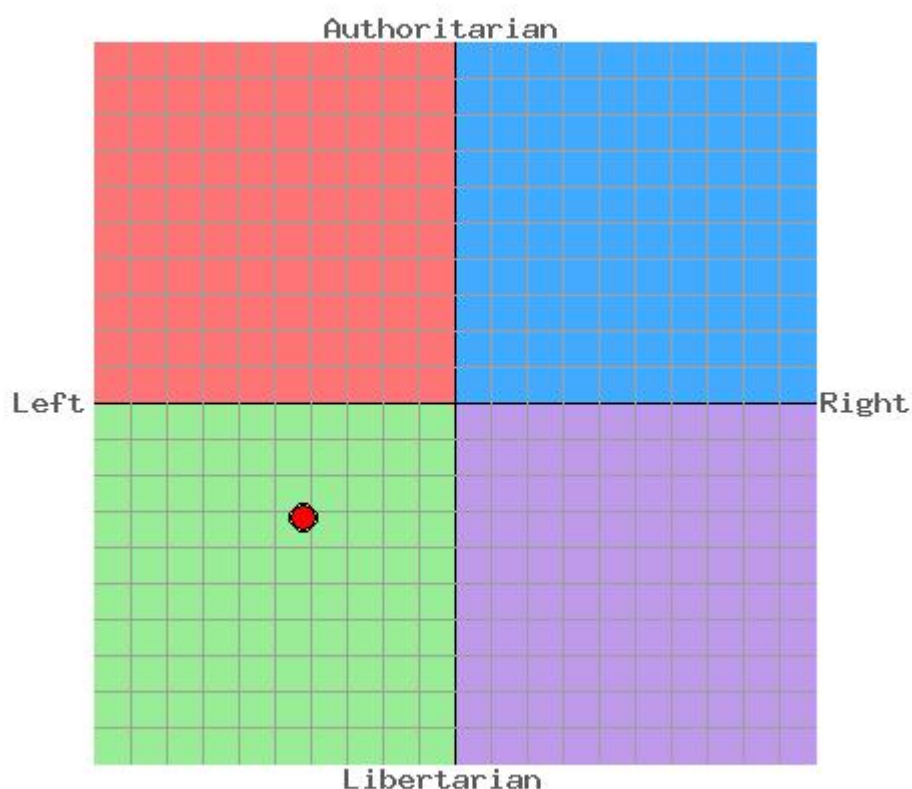
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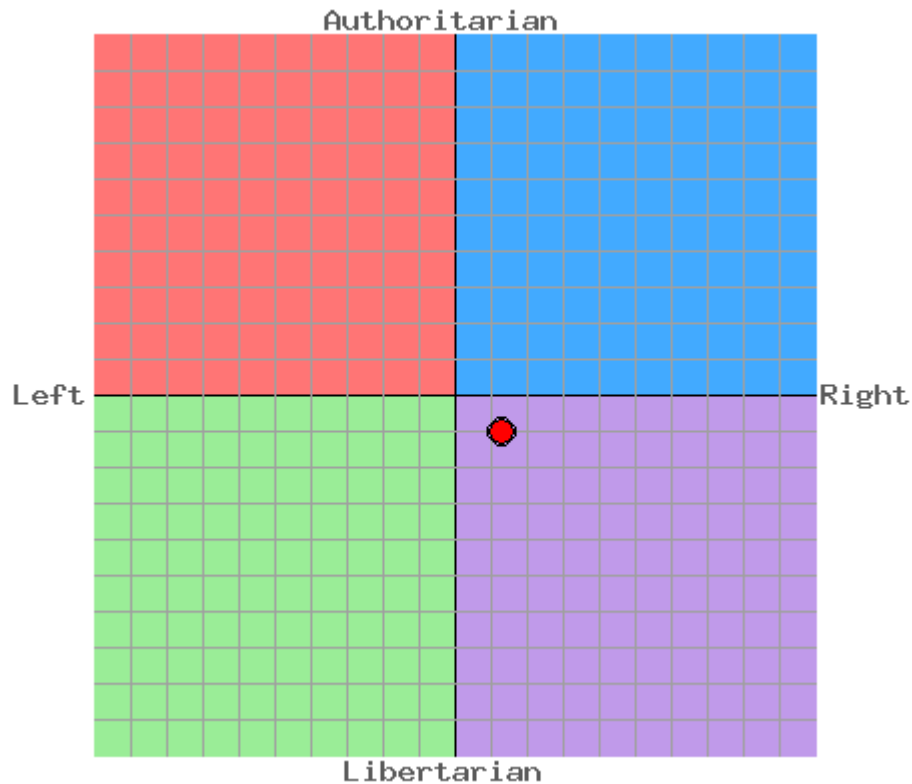
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Taking it now, I really wish some of them had "neutral" options. :/

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Posted by [Rocko](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 03:40:38 GMT

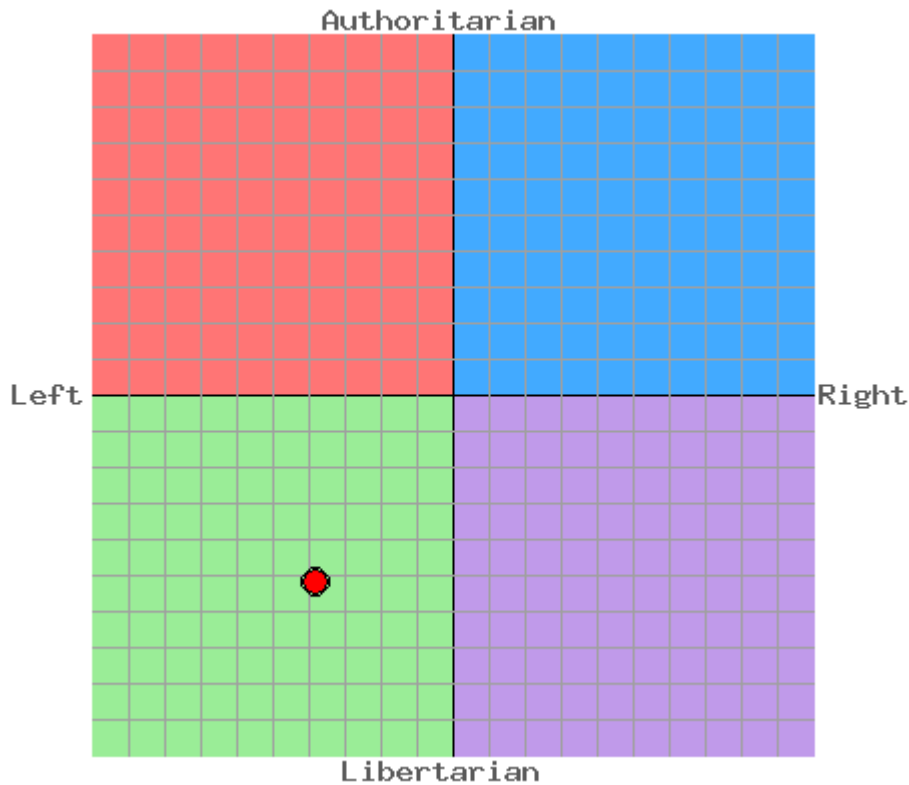
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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 06:21:58 GMT

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 06:27:32 GMT  
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No... I'd be just off bottom center towards the right. I'm a libertarian. I'm not a fascist or a neo-con.

Edit: Nevermind, I guess I misunderstood the meaning of the graph. Now that I took the test, I see that you knew more than I did about it.

I'm towards the bottom, right corner. The way the questions were worded, it was a bit hard for me to actually pick what I believe to be true in terms of my political views. Some of the questions were geared way too much towards your personal beliefs in morality and such. I try not to base my political views on my emotions, and tests like that seem to circumvent my stance on principles rather than emotions.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [a000clown](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 08:11:23 GMT  
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There should be some "I don't know" or "I don't give a fuck" options... I can't choose a side for everything, and some questions I didn't fully understand.

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Posted by [Herr Surth](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 08:18:08 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [AmunRa](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 11:26:51 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 12:05:04 GMT  
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Posted by [TORN](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 13:22:17 GMT  
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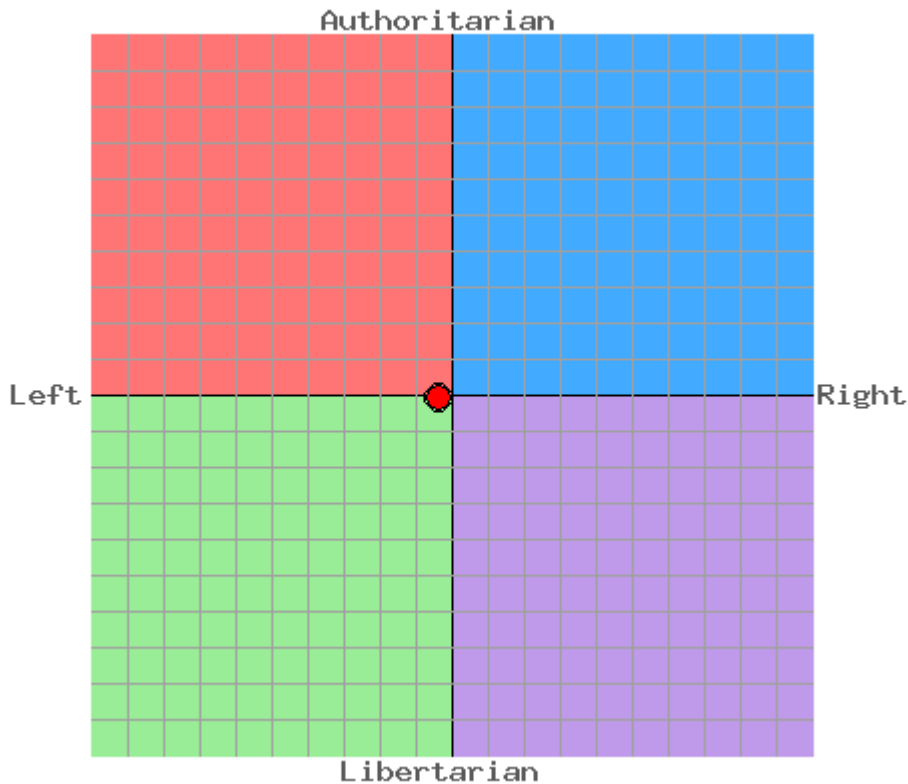
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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 14:07:38 GMT

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [Herr Surth](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 14:09:46 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [Spoony](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 14:17:35 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 14:27:31 GMT  
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That's a stupid reason to quit the quiz. It was just trying to see if you are a moral crusading asshole or if you are open-minded.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [Starbuzz](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 14:34:02 GMT  
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That question was just to see if you think morals are handed down to us by a god/gods and therefore it is trying to test if you think morals are connected to religion.

Agreed that it is a stupid statement but it is not asserting that...just asking for your opinion on it.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [\[NE\]Fobby\[GEN\]](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 14:47:26 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [Ryu](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 15:04:34 GMT  
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yup.

also My score was like Fobbys.

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Posted by [GoArmy44](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 15:36:17 GMT  
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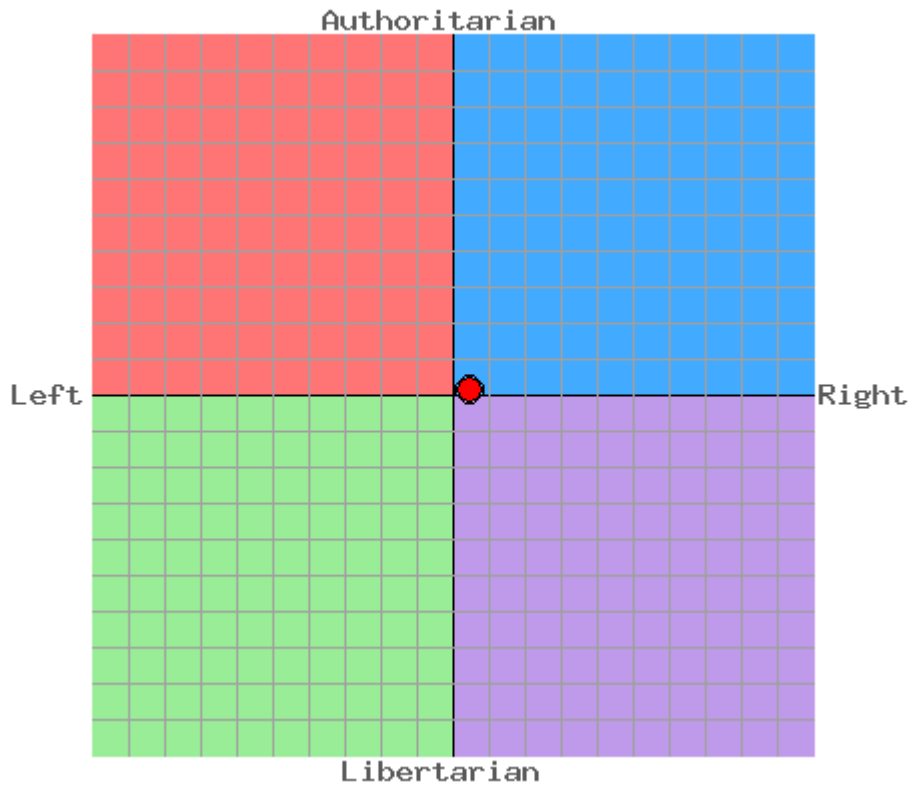
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That was a stupid test, some of the questions have no bearing on a person's political standings. Like, "a significant advantage of a one-party state is that it avoids all the arguments that delay progress in a democratic political system", yeah an advantage to a one party state would be the expedient passing of new laws but the disadvantages would be ten fold. The moral questions were retarded as well, just because I would not do that act doesn't mean the government should stop people from doing it.

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Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 15:36:53 GMT  
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cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 09:07 You people hate Capitalism, don't you? Sheesh. No, we are more into democratic socialism.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 15:39:38 GMT  
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Another way of saying that you hate Capitalism because some people just fucking suck at life, and you somehow need to make exceptions for those assholes while condemning those that are market savvy and take advantage of situations and strike it rich.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 15:43:15 GMT  
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So, all those people who don't have jobs during the Great Depression are LOSERS? Is it THEIR



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Posted by [Herr Surth](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 15:47:14 GMT

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Not entirely correct. There are jobs whose salaries are lower compared to other jobs despite being just as important for the community, despite being just as hard work.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass

Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 15:56:31 GMT

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Capitalism isn't perfect, but tampering with it doesn't make it any better, or any more just. Sure, you can make it more equalized, but that's a Robin Hood fantasy ideal. Sure, I'll admit it's a nice idea to think that everybody can live in harmony and be equal, but that means people like me have to work to help others, and that's certainly not fair or just in my case.

I have absolutely no problem donating to help others, let's get that clear. In fact, I think we DO have a duty to help others, as a society. However, having the government do that is incredibly unjust. I can't support the idea of protecting people by impeding on the rights of others. If I don't benefit from what I pay towards the government (and American income tax money doesn't even go towards any of the programs Americans expect to benefit from, anyway), then I shouldn't have to pay for it.

I don't mind if others benefit from the services I receive from the government and pay for. Like, for instance, the police force. I don't mind the government protecting those that don't pay taxes, but I want to benefit from that service, as well. If I'm forced to pay money towards welfare, then I want my money back in the form of a welfare check.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass

Posted by [GoArmy44](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 16:01:03 GMT

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sadukar09 wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 10:43 So, all those people who don't have jobs during the Great Depression are LOSERS? Is it THEIR FAULT that companies can't afford to give out jobs?

That's right, the economy never sucks when you are under socialism, it is a paradise on earth. I guess that's why China keeps Hong Kong under capitalism.

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 16:03:38 GMT  
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GoArmy44 wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 12:01it is a paradise on earth.  
Especially for those that are forced to bear the weight of the poverty stricken. They just love having to not only support themselves, their families, but others, be it by their own fruit or an unfortunate consequence.

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Why do those people have to suffer? It's not their fault THEY couldn't get a job BECAUSE big corporations COULDN'T provide them with jobs, people drift to get work, but there's none, since people have to cut back to survive. (Then again, Canada had a Conservative government, who didn't even bother to help the people very much.)

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 16:23:51 GMT  
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So let the PEOPLE help those in trouble. The government stealing from the people doesn't make anything any better. In fact, it pisses me off, and makes me all the less willing to help others. Respect me enough to let me spend the money I EARN, and I'll put money towards those that don't have the ability to.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [GEORGE ZIMMER](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 16:26:48 GMT  
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Yes, capitalism sucks. Socialism, communism, and so on suck even more. I'd rather go with what sucks the least.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 16:29:56 GMT  
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Cabal8616 wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 11:26 Yes, capitalism sucks. Socialism, communism, and so on suck even more. I'd rather go with what sucks the least. Socialism is the best if it works out, too bad it never does.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [Herr Surth](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 16:30:12 GMT  
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Surthalism is definitely the best.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 16:33:18 GMT  
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Surth wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 11:30 Surthalism is definitely the best.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 16:52:04 GMT  
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Cabal8616 wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 12:26 Yes, capitalism sucks. Socialism, communism, and so on suck even more. I'd rather go with what sucks the least.  
Nah, Capitalism isn't perfect, but I love it nonetheless. The fact that consumers get to change the market is awesome. Plus, Capitalism rewards entrepreneurs. Socialism and Communism doesn't. In a Capitalist society, technology booms. In a Communist society, technology stays at a standstill because there is absolutely no incentive to increase productivity and produce technologies.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 17:03:33 GMT  
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Is that why the Soviets sent the first man out to space? And Sputnik?

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [Nukelt15](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 20:14:05 GMT  
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This test is fundamentally flawed; it lacks several incredibly important issues such as free speech, the right to keep and bear arms, eminent domain, and the spread of bureaucracy- among other

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things. It cannot be sufficiently accurate without taking at least a majority of current issues in society into account. Additionally, the wording of some of the questions is somewhat ambiguous.

I would self-describe as a libertarian centrist. Whether I lean right or left depends heavily on the issue at hand, and my opinions are fairly evenly divided- which almost always lands me right smack in the middle of the road.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [u6795](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 20:24:37 GMT  
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Chillin with Gandhi and Nelson Mandela, yeah.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 20:52:01 GMT  
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sadukar09Is that why the Soviets sent the first man out to space? And Sputnik?  
1. They had competition... America.  
2. Soviet nuclear missiles were big and clunky, and they needed more powerful rockets to launch them, so it wasn't too hard for them to adapt their big rockets for space exploration.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 21:11:49 GMT  
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Some of the questions were totally dumb, but I figured I'd just finish what I started.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [GoArmy44](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2008 23:26:35 GMT  
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sadukar09 wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 10:03Is that why the Soviets sent the first man out to space? And Sputnik?

What did the Soviet Space Program create that helped the ordinary populace? NASA developed technologies are used everyday by many people in the US to further benefit their lives. In the time that the West was booming economically after the second world war the Soviet Bloc was still in ruins. Instead of converting their arms factories back into factories producing consumer goods,

the soviets continued to build up massive amounts of weapons even though there was no war to be fought. It's hard to create washing machines and microwaves when the government which runs your factory tells you to make bullets and tanks.

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Posted by [u6795](#) on Mon, 30 Jun 2008 00:41:50 GMT  
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This is necessary.

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Posted by [Starbuzzz](#) on Mon, 30 Jun 2008 00:47:30 GMT  
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If you don't know, then don't post.

What you said before only applies to Communism in theory: if the basic need is fulfilled, then there is no need to immediately improve it. But Communist leaders Lenin and Mao each adapted their policies to better work with the environment they had. Nothing can be applied right from the text book. Your first quote applies only to theoretical Communism...it cannot be applied to the Communism practiced by the Soviet Union.

Your second post is total BS...atleast attempt to learn history. The Soviet Union had a successful military and space program in place while the United States was still hunting after Nazi rocketery engineers to fill it's own ranks with the secret Operation Paperclip.  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operation\\_Paperclip](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operation_Paperclip)

How the heck do you think the US even came close to motivating the Soviet Union to push ahead?

National Interest/Project 63 - "Project to help former Nazis obtain jobs with Lockheed, Martin Marietta, North American Aviation or other defense contractors during a time when many American engineers in the aircraft industry were being laid off."

So it was the other way around! Sputnik 1 stunned the West especially America. It was only then the US took noticed and hurried along. By that time, the former Nazi scientist under Adolf Hitler, Wernher von Braun, was already working for America making missiles.

He (a German ex-Nazi) was the one who was head engineer of the American Saturn V rocket that took Americans to the moon.

And your knowledge of Soviet missile technology...even basic rocketry...sucks so bad I am not even going to honour it with a educated reply.

GoArmy44 wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 19:26What did the Soviet Space Program create that helped the ordinary populace?

Why don't you ask what did the Soviet space program create that helped and helps the whole world today? lol? The rest of your post is prejudiced, ill-informed BS.

The Soviet space program sent space vehicles to Venus and taking photographs.

The Soviet space program was the first to send data to and from outer space to a Soviet-made satellite in orbit. The Soviets pretty much are responsible for the advancement of commuicaion sattelites that now circle the globe braodcasting TV, radio, and cellphones signals because they proved it can be done. Talk about your BS, man!

They also developed the first 24/7 manned space station (MIR). Soviet/Russian experience in building space stations serve very well today with the International Space Station.

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lol...I can go on. Just lower your arrogance, read some history, and respect your enemy.

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Oh, and tell the Cubans they're at the forefront of technology.

Why don't you actually try to fucking understand what I was talking about in terms of having the US as competition? I didn't say America forced them to hurry up. I was merely remarking on the fact that two world powers emerged from the ruins of WWII. That was America and Russia. With Stalin running the country, it doesn't take a stretch of the imagination to see that he forced his scientists to produce new technologies to stay ahead of America, in order to be the largest super power. The new technologies weren't created out of a Communist society. They were created out of desperation to not be killed by Stalin.

Don't honor (you're an American, you smug asshole, spell like one) my "lack of" understanding, then.

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Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Mon, 30 Jun 2008 01:02:29 GMT  
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One thing that cannot be argued is that the West definitely had better music.

But the Commies won in the cartoon department.

ENDUT! HOCH HECH BITCHES!

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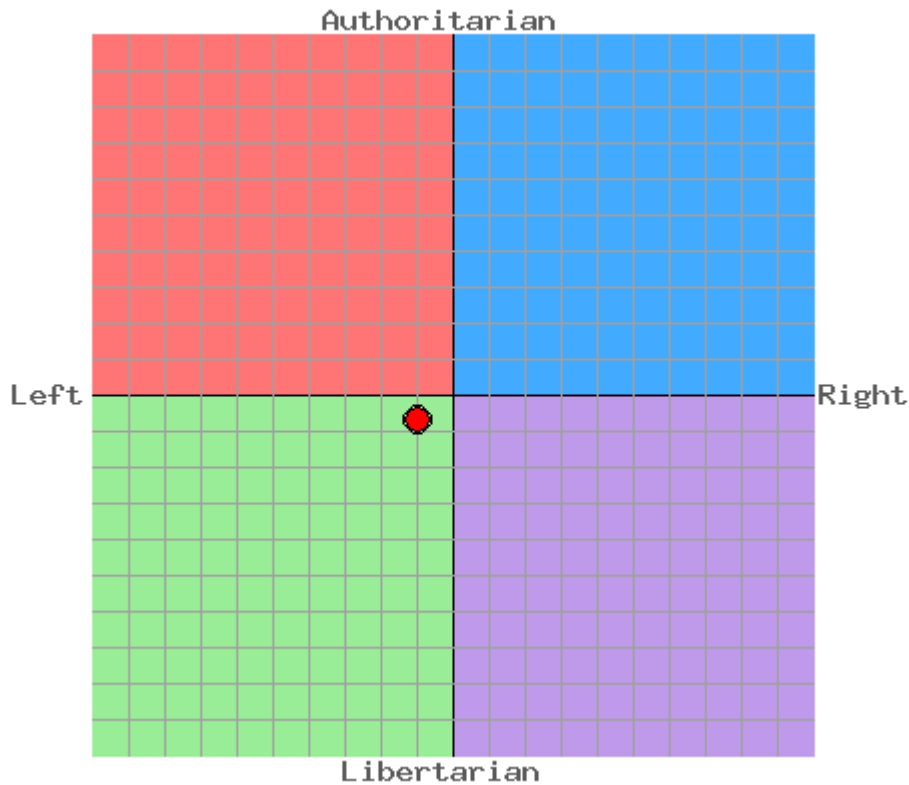
I agree, mostly because that I'm freaking depicted as a Liberal. Its an insult to me.

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Did he meet the highest minds of the Soviet state? He talked to the well guarded space engineers and scientists? Civil engineers? We are talking about the brightest minds in Russia who were enslaved under the centralized command economy and that kept them from doing what they wanted.

Communism (in Russia) allowed all invention and innovation from it's engineers and scientists but it (the Communist Party) had the final say in what they wanted to be implemented. They controlled the funds and they controlled the lives.

So, it was not like they were all lazy sloppy rats who were content with what they had. They had most things on the table but only the innovation the state wanted was allowed to progress to a prototype stage. This is why you see a massive influence in Soviet military R&D. That was the prime concern of the state; defense. You will also see that more technological strides were made after Stalin's death.

But they applied regular communist ideology when it comes to dealing with their citizens. For



example the Lada cars. A imported/bundled up car that was worse than a donkey (atleast did not crap) but it fulfilled the needs to getting from point A to point B and therefore did not need to be improved. If they were not being uptight like that, we would have seen more advances in the civilian sector.

Look at what Russians are capable of (and were always capable of) when all the rules and bans in imagination was lifted:

[http://cache.jalopnik.com/assets/resources/2007/03/lada\\_c\\_geneva.JPG](http://cache.jalopnik.com/assets/resources/2007/03/lada_c_geneva.JPG)

They could and would have done the same under Soviet times as they always had the talent but the state was not interested in fancy things.

No wonder Boortz came back with a stark report...probably saw the hopeless citizens who was working at the same factory for 30 years with no change to their pathetic lives.

cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 20:00Oh, and tell the Cubans they're at the forefront of technology.

The Cubans were, are, and will be rats. They never had and never will get access to any resources nor do they have a productive infrastructure to showcase their talents (if they got any).

cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 20:00Why don't you actually try to fucking understand what I was talking about in terms of having the US as competition?

I did not see it in any other way.

cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 20:00I didn't say America forced them to hurry up.

But you said, or atleast pressed the point that American pressure (competitive or otherwise) made them to churn out new technologies.

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The Soviets always saw themselves as the leaders of Europe. They had ambitions to extend Russian territory to the Atlantic (a lofty dream).

Stalin wanted Soviet Russia to become the greatest power in Europe. Don't forget the guy was paranoid to a degree that had affected no man before and after him. The loss the Soviets suffered was great during the war...he wanted to make sure the Soviets would never suffer like that again at the hand of the enemy. The land the Soviets grabbed was key to creating protective buffer states.

To protect and most importantly, keep control, over these new buffer states, the Soviets had no

choice but to increase their already big military...in case to crush oppositions. Then the Cold War came because 2 giants realized to themselves that another giant as big as itself lived nearby...hence the inevitable rivalry.

cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 20:00: Don't honor (you're an American, you smug asshole, spell like one) my "lack of" understanding, then.

I threw that in deliberately.

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I never was doubting Russian ingenuity. My whole problem with Communism is that it stifles productivity because once you have the bare necessities, you don't go any further without any incentive, and to give the people any monetary or materialistic incentive would then upset the equality.

I just like the idea of reaping what I sow. I should be able to have the option to work 3 jobs, bring in a 6-figure income, and spend that money as I please.

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The real-life Soviet Union never had any Kirov Airships, so they fail.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Mon, 30 Jun 2008 03:10:44 GMT  
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I've had the misfortune of driving post-Glasnost Lada.

Drive one yourself, and it'll be easy to see why Communism sucks.

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cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 22:04: I never was doubting Russian ingenuity.

cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 22:04My whole problem with Communism is that it stifles productivity because once you have the bare necessities, you don't go any further without any incentive, and to give the people any monetary or materialistic incentive would then upset the equality.

Yes, that is true Communism if followed by the book. We had the same discussion in 11th grade...one student said that it wouldn't matter if you are from school or flipping burgers you would make the same money. The teacher shot back saying " only in a true communist society." And we had the same discussion.

So, yeah, it is not just your problem, it is a fundamental and serious flaw with Communism. When the Russians and then the Chinese followed with Communism, they found great difficulty in founding perfect equality. The leaders of the revolution for example could never be equals to the common farmer though true Communism called for just that...and it went on from there. Soon enough, the natural order of things fell into place.

However, what they did get was not that much more...except the highest level of the party members.

cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 22:04I just like the idea of reaping what I sow. I should be able to have the option to work 3 jobs, bring in a 6-figure income, and spend that money as I please.

Absolutely.

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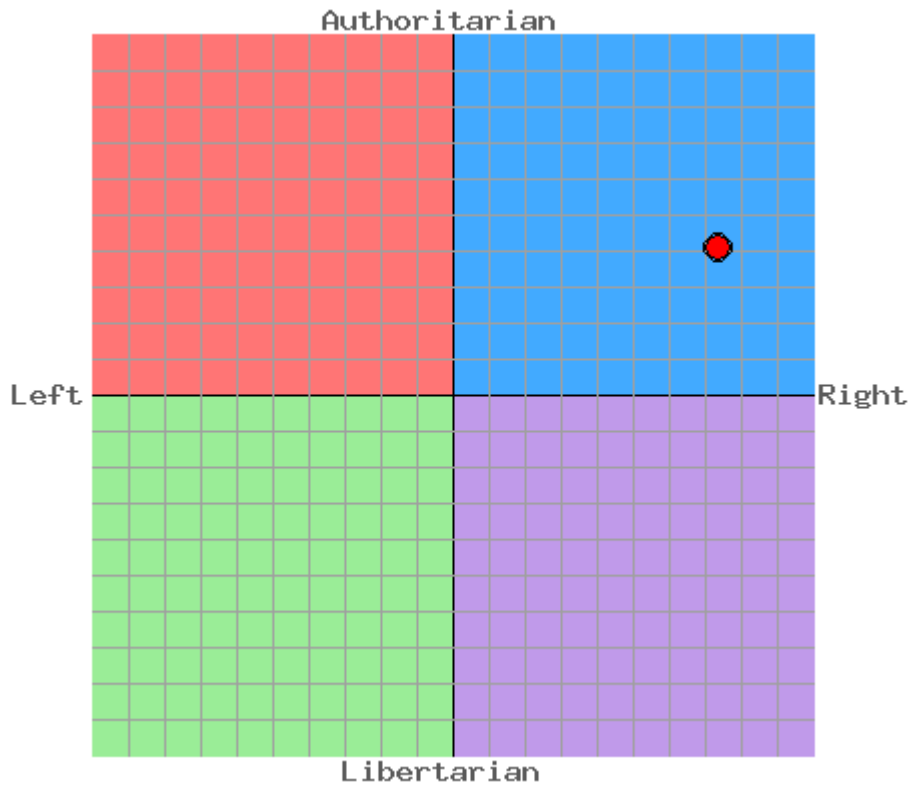
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I'm not really suprised by mine.

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I'm Gandhi.

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Subject: Re: Political Compass  
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