

Making Democracy Work

Three Views of the Political Spectrum

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l Institutional Materialist	RADICAL Abolish free market State/collective control of the economy State/Collective Control		LIBERAL Keep free market to ameliorate problems with govt. programs	CONSERVATIVE Expand free market Keep govt programs small and taxes low	REACTIONARY Maximize free market Minimize govt, except for military Free Market
ll Pro-Left Equality the Main value	RADICAL Minimize inequality in income, power, status Equality		LIBERAL Reduce, but don't try to eliminate inequality through education, etc.	CONSERVATIVE Increase inequality through tax cuts for wealthy, etc.	REACTIONARY Maximize inequality, e.g. by racial or gender discrimination Inequality
III Pro-Right Individual Liberty, Opportunity, Responsibility	<u>RADICAL</u> Minimize liberty, opportunity, and responsibility to rely on state or collective action		LIBERAL Balance individual liberty, etc. with collective action, but favor the collective	CONSERVATIVE Balance individual liberty with collective action, but favor the individual	<u>REACTIONARY</u> Maximize individual liberty, opportunity and responsibility to the near exclusion of state or collective action
	Collective Action and Control		Individual liberty, opportunity, responsibility		
Films	Potemkin Salt of the Earth	Bulworth Primary Colors	It's a Wonderful Life Cinema Paradiso	An Officer and a Gentleman The Pursuit of Happiness	Triumph of the Will