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The 50 most thought-provoking
theories in politics, each explained
in half a minute



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You may be okay with standard stuff like Republicanism and Democracy, but do you really know what a Neocon is? And what about Oligarchy? Anarcho-syndicalism? Politics is, we are willing to bet, the most passionately argued-over subject matter, and yet how many of us flounder around in confrontational debates because we have no grip on political theory, just a vague notion that they are all out to get us?

30-Second Politics will help dispel this fog of mistrust and paranoia. It challenges political theorists of all colours to come up with no-frill, no-spin, tell-it-like-it-is explanations of the 50 most important political -isms, -archies and -ocracies that have persisted since the time of Periclean Athens. At no public expense, the book explains each political theory in nothing more than two pages, 300 words and some propaganda-style imagery, for we all know that one picture opportunity is worth a thousand words of dull interview.

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