Political Spectrum

► There are many representations of the spectrum
► Below are some examples of how it can be viewed
► Look at the similarities and differences and see if you can commonality in all of them
Most Comfortable with Democratic Forms of Government

The Wellbeing of the Individual Takes Precedence Over the Wellbeing of the State
- Prefers Minimum State Control over the Individual
- Prefers Innovation to Tradition
- Believes in Open Dissemination of Information
- Ethical Society More Important than Moral Society
- Civil Rights Take Precedence Over Property Rights
- Evaluation Preferred Means of Instruction

Prefers Heterogeneous Population
- State-Sponsored Secular Ideology

Most Comfortable with Autocratic Forms of Government

The Wellbeing of the State Takes Precedence Over the Wellbeing of the Individual
- Prefers Maximum State Control over the Individual
- Prefers Minimum Restrictions on Civil Rights
- Demands Maximum Control Over Property Rights

ETHICS: Rules of conduct imposed on individuals by a secular organization and formulated using societal considerations. The public is consulted in the formulation of these rules.

CIVIL RIGHTS: The rights of individuals to be secure from arbitrary state action against their person

MORALS: Rules of behavior imposed on individuals by a sectarian organization and formulated using theological considerations. The public is not consulted in the formulation of these rules.

PROPERTY RIGHTS: The rights of individuals to be secure from arbitrary state action against their possessions
Resources

- [http://rationalrevolution.net/articles/redefining_the_political_spectru.htm](http://rationalrevolution.net/articles/redefining_the_political_spectru.htm) panels 1-10
- [http://www.conservative-resources.com/right-wing-vs-left-wing.html](http://www.conservative-resources.com/right-wing-vs-left-wing.html) panels 11 and 12