

**Test Bank**  
**We The People: An Introduction to American Government, 15th Edition**  
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**Chapter 1**

**1.**

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Which of the following *best* characterizes Americans' knowledge of public affairs today?

- Millennials are better informed than older generations by a wide margin.
- Americans are consistently shown to be among the most well-informed when compared to people in other democracies.
- Most Americans today are far better informed than previous generations, though knowledge levels are still rather low.
- Misinformation is now at its highest level in the history of polling.
- Baby boomers have been shown to be the most well-informed generation, while younger generations know little about public affairs.

**References**

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Critical Thinking and  
Political Culture:  
Becoming a  
Responsible Citizen

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Critical thinking is best described as

- the process of forming an opinion after weighing the relevant facts.

discounting the news from ordinary media outlets.

rejecting the accounts of bureaucrats and finding alternative versions online.

assuming that all news presents lies until alternative truths present themselves.

trusting your instincts on the way the world works.

## References

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