

A♦ #201A
EVIDENCE-BASED

I trust in a rational belief system, built on facts and concepts, ultimately linked to observation and experience, which fit together in a coherent way as part of a useful (in terms of making good predictions!) logical framework. Whether it be my own worldview—or a collective product of a multitude of minds (scientific consensus)—I see this framework as steadily evolving (improving!) based on feedback. If they pass certain tests, I'm generally able to accept psychologically disturbing features of Reality (example: the finality of death) rather than deny them.

K♦ #101A
MIND OPEN, VISION GLOBAL

I am open-minded and curious. Since my mind ranges freely over the intellectual terrain, my worldview extends in space and time. I respect evolutionary change, natural cycles and the web of all existence of which I'm part. I appreciate cosmic distances, geologic time and statements like "Our bodies contain atoms once inside ancient stars." I know the past provides insights into dealing with today's problems; that future consequences of what we do must be considered. I realize the world is complex, and sometimes my understanding of it requires simultaneously holding conflicting beliefs.

Q♦ #1A
HUMBLY UNSURE

When it comes to knowing what's right, what's best, what is the true nature of things, or having answers to life's important questions, I feel inadequate. While others most assuredly promote their beliefs with black and white certainty, I am silent and see shades of gray. I can't forget the complexity of the world or the smallness / ignorance of any one person. I'm not sure enough of anything to lay it on everyone else. I trust not in high principles, but in small experiences. (Note: This person enters arguments hesitantly, objectively presenting facts / both sides of the issue.)

J♦ #1B
SKEPTIC

I believe knowledge is accompanied by some degree of uncertainty and doubt. I like where doubting can lead: to questioning, debating, reconsidering, testing, new knowledge, and eventually to the truth. I am suspicious of faith-based beliefs. In deciding what to believe, I prefer reason and critical thinking, to emotion and wishful thinking. In putting down "true believers"—sometimes treating them with contempt—I lack humility and can be arrogant. (Note: critics charge that, in their efforts to debunk, skeptics can be closed-minded and too eager to dismiss evidence not supportive of what they believe.)

10♦ #8A
MONOTHEISTIC DEISM

I believe in a God who might be called "The Creator of the Universe" or "The First Cause" and who may be the ultimate source of a creative dynamism ("vital spark"?) that seemingly energizes life. Beyond that initial moment (which some link to "The Big Bang") I believe God does not interfere with the workings of the universe—which proceed according to physical laws. I believe humans can only indirectly know God through observation and rational investigation of the natural world—not directly through divine revelation or mystical experience.

9♦ #7A
MYSTICISM

I, like William James, think personal religious experience has its roots and center in mystical states of consciousness. If, like me, you've had this (feeling of Oneness?) type experience, you'll respect my following fumbled characterization: 1) it can't be adequately described in words, 2) it provides insight into fundamental Truth—perhaps that perception of discrete objects and the passage of time are illusions, 3) it can't be sustained for long, 4) it makes me feel passive—as if grasped by a superior power (God?) Not sensing distinct gods or deities, in rare perfect moments I feel union with an undifferentiated whole.

8♦ #6A
ORDERLY AND EXPLICABLE

I believe we can eventually greatly comprehend how the world works if we only "Dare to Understand." From a 6th century BCE Ionian Enlightenment success predicting when a solar eclipse would occur—increasingly people have found natural and rational causes for observed events. Progress has come with appreciating cause and effect, solving problems by breaking complicated wholes into smaller parts, forming concepts and using them in frameworks, testing hypotheses and learning from feedback—all in building/refining an extraordinarily useful structure for explaining, predicting, creating.

7♦ #9A
RELIGIOUS FUNDAMENTALISM

As an orthodox follower of the _____ (insert name of religion) religion, I believe that human behavior should not deviate from that called for in my religion's sacred text: _____ (insert name of sacred text) This I see as the unerring word of God. I hold it to be literally true, and believe that it provides an absolute basis for morality. I believe that God can and has personally intervened in the lives of people in ways consistent with stories in this sacred text.

6♦ #5A
SCIENTIFIC MATERIALISM

I discount knowledge based on something other than observation and reason. I argue it's not necessary to postulate God or that the universe, its life / humans had a Creator. Their existence can be explained by forces acting on matter and random chance. So the universe has no purpose or notion of good and evil, other than the meaning and value that we give it. Life involves only physical and chemical processes, not some vital spirit. Some day scientists will create it in the lab. Human spirituality exists only in minds (products of brains)!

Q♦**#2B****I KNOW WHAT'S BEST FOR YOU**

I feel I have found "the answer" (what to believe, buy, how to behave, the best way to do something, etc.) And I feel obligated to share what I've found with you, so you too can benefit! Please bear with me if it seems my evangelizing, persuading, etc disrespects your beliefs, values, or feelings — I have your best interests in mind! (Note: This person enters arguments loudly with selective use of facts and emotionally charged language, i.e. propaganda. With innate marketing skills, such natural born sales people are at their best when they don't recognize the self deception involved!)

K♦**#101B****MIND NARROWLY FOCUSED**

I find comfort in not seeking out facts—or exposing myself to beliefs, and values—that would necessitate some revising of my associated worldview framework. (One might call it pre-meditated ignorance!) I'm often able to ignore facts that produce psychological discomfort. I'm generally unable to live with facts, beliefs, and values that are inconsistent with each other. I like to "keep it simple, stupid," and often refuse to deal with issues requiring my mind range widely in space and time, or the complexity of simultaneously holding conflicting beliefs.

A♦**#201B****FAITH & WISHFUL THINKING**

I am something of an intuitive thinker. I can firmly believe, with complete confidence and trust, in something for which there's little or no evidence, and certainly no proof. I can deny Reality and believe in something if doing so provides hope or useful psychological advantage (example: belief in an after-life.) I may interpret events / actions of others, and make decisions, based on what I'd like to be true, rather than what is true. I can delude myself— I see it as adopting healthy beliefs which promote my, and perhaps my family's or loved ones, continued psychological well-being. I am a hopeful optimist!

9♦**#12A****POLYTHEISM, ANIMISM, PAGAN**

I believe in the existence of many gods. While not all of these deities are thought to have physical bodies or even be worthy of worship, some certainly are. Like humans, these deities are seen as having their own personality traits, needs, desires, etc, but with additional powers and, in some cases, supernatural attributes. Many of us worship gods associated with particular objects (Sun, Moon, water, etc,) events (birth, death, etc,) or character types (hero, trickster, muse, etc.) Animists talk of gods inhabiting special places. For them nature is alive, with spirits animating both living and non-living things

10♦**#8B****BELIEF IN A PERSONAL GOD**

I believe God is concerned with human beings personally. I conceive of Him as a personal being (perhaps a father) with a personality. I value talking with God through introspection / praying. I believe God listens to prayers and watches over us. I believe that, given His personal interest in the world and its people, He will intervene on behalf of worshippers (performing miracles, etc) or to reward / punish. Some conceive of God in terms of forgiveness and love, others in terms of vengeful, judgmental punishment.

J♦**#2A****THE TRUE BELIEVER**

My faith in what I believe is free from doubt. If you'd had my experience, you'd also believe! I understand what it is to be a Believer. I like to think of myself as devoted to a noble cause in the fight for justice or search for Truth. I too can overcome obstacles through courage, persistence, and Shining Purity. I define who I am, magnify my identity, and recognize my enemies through my crusades. (Note: critics say true believers have an "excess of certitude" and / or cite their "irrational persistence" in holding "untenable beliefs.")

6♦**#5B****VITALISM**

I see life as holistically endowed with something special: spirit, life force, soul, organizing /creative principle, etc. Life is more than the sum of its parts — not something scientists will create in the lab. (Note: In China the life force is linked with Ch'i (Qi), in India with prana or kundalini. Most religions involve belief in spiritual beings: living things with souls, disembodied spirits, ghosts, angels, that natural objects are conscious (animism), etc. Traditionally the self-awareness called consciousness (home of conscience) is thought to reside in souls.)

7♦**#10****SECULAR HUMANISM**

I don't believe in a personal God. Without faith in a divine purpose for human existence or absolute moral code, I aim to put meaning, notions of good and evil, and universal values into my life. While troubled by ignorance and injustice, I accept human imperfections. I value learning. I champion self-realization through reason, and responsible living through brotherhood. Overcoming "the anxiety of nothingness," in asserting the inherent dignity and worth of all of us, in helping us appreciate our place, I maintain a hopeful, optimistic, outlook on life.

8♦**#8B****MAGIC**

Like science & technology, magic seeks to control nature. But instead of trying to understand, magic enthusiasts celebrate mystery. They seldom try to explain paranormal gifts, spirit communication skills, ability to right wrong relationships, etc that they feel healers/shamans/ witches / astrologers possess. Some see "magical rites & beliefs" as "expressions of an act of faith in a science yet to be born." Some are confident scientists will eventually explain things like the healing power of faith— whether in God /gods / drug /placebo or doctor. Others many feel aspects of Reality will always defy understanding.

5♦**#6B****SCIENTIFIC METHOD**

I value solving problems by gathering data (I like numbers), making testable hypotheses (I like equations) to fit data, testing (I like statistical tests,) refining, publishing for others to verify. Scientists work to avoid bad experimental design, faulty controls, selection effects, bias, prejudice, errors, etc. A complex problem may require reduction to many simpler ones and sorting out multiple causes / effects. Science works better than anything else when it comes to making good predictions and solving problems. If there were something else that worked better, I'd be for it!

4♦**#11A****FATALISM**

I believe that events are fixed in advance so that humans are powerless to change them. I think it's naïve to think that—in the big scheme of things — we control our own destinies. Whether you call it “God’s plan” or “the will of God” — or call it determinism and involve factors beyond human control—I’m resigned to believing that my life’s course is fixed as part of the larger scheme. (Note: deterministic predictability depends on natural / physical laws, genetic and epigenetic endowment, the (predictable) response to environmental stimuli, etc.)

3♦**#15****GROUP THINK IMPERATIVE**

If stimulated / stressed, I give away choices I'd otherwise make. I suspend thinking/narrow consciousness and passively transfer control of myself to some real or imagined authority. I put my faith and trust in, feeling obligated and beholden to, this authority. The authority is associated with a culturally agreed on expectancy behind a setting or belief system. This giving up control happens most often where peer pressure to conform is strong, or where rituals trigger trancelike behavior —even hallucinations! (Note: a wide variety of folks—indigenous people, teenagers, politicians, etc. can behave this way!)

2♦**#9B****IN GOD’S HANDS:
APOCALYPTICISM**

I think the end of the world, or some catastrophe after which life won't be the same, is imminent—perhaps in my lifetime. While my belief is based on a hopeful expectation—God's victory (led by the return of a beloved religious leader / prophet) and the final triumph of good over evil— I realize there are other possibilities. The end could come with the triumph of evil, or God's disgust with His Creation and decision to start anew with a clean slate by means of His choosing.

A♥**#202A****CAUTIOUS PROCESSING**

Metaphorically my mindspace contains unfamiliar, potentially unfriendly, dangerous places, so I'm cautious. I draw out as much information from it as I can, and perhaps am not as “giving back” as some. As you might expect, I often feel unsettled, stressed, anxious. My caution is perhaps due to past
a) unpleasant, distressing sensory experiences, and b) physical and emotional stress caused by hurtful incidents or encounters. Given my self concept and memories, with my fear of a) and b), it should surprise no one that I sometimes feel angry and resentful.

K♥**#102A****CONSCIENTIOUS, EFFICIENT**

I typically aim to do what is right or fair, especially to do my work or duty carefully, thoroughly, and efficiently — minimizing wasted materials, energy, money, time or effort—and taking responsibilities / obligations to others seriously. When entrusted with managing something someone cares about, I tend to be a good steward. I pay attention to details. When I feel stressed because I know something isn't right, I typically feel I must fix it. So, I'm often putting things in order or am in task-oriented mode. I'm happiest when I'm busy.

Q♥**#14A****SALVATION &
MORALISTIC GOD**

Guided by conscience, and wishing to minimize or avoid punishment (including self-administered), I seek to live in accord with God-given moral standards. I believe that every person is born with soul condemned to suffer, but by behaving properly one's soul can be “saved.” So I often ask myself, “Am I good enough to go to heaven?” (Note: Some believe that a moralistic God's favorable judgment can “save” someone. Upon death these souls spend a blissful eternity with God in heaven or paradise. Those souls with unpardonable sins spend an eternity in hell.)

J♥**#29B****THREATENING OTHERS:
VIOLENCE**

I often get what I want by intimidating and instilling fear, by verbally and/or physically threatening. Since this only succeeds if the threat is believable, I've got a reputation associated with verbal abuse and occasionally resorting to actual physical violence— even condoning torture! (Note: some who lack restraint use the old threat system, based on “Give it to me or I'll hurt you” or “Pay me and I'll quit bothering you.” A more modern approach is to file or threaten a lawsuit. Of course sometimes abandoning restraint can be justifiable.)

10♥**#16A****CULTURE OF FEAR**

I view society, to some extent, as threatening my security and well-being—so I take precautions to minimize risks. I often ask “Will someone hurt me if I do this?” Far from wanting to interact with and trust them, I generally fear strangers, especially those who seem clearly different. I lock the door to my house at night. I own a gun to protect myself and loved ones should the need arise. I try to align myself with those who have power. I believe those who break laws should expect harsh punishment—especially if they are poor or powerless.

3♦ #30
INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

I value free inquiry—unconstrained by authority. I see the best way for humankind to gain knowledge and understanding, and perfect society, is by allowing a maximum amount of individual liberty of thought, belief, questioning and inquiry. I especially value having this liberty because, unlike many, I am especially curious. I value the freedom to let my imagination run wild! I'm driven to seek out and explore new territory in pursuing intellectual rewards. I get a thrill out of acquiring new knowledge, making new connections—even out of mustering courage to not conform.

4♦ #11B
FREE WILL

I believe that humans have the power to freely choose between alternatives, exercise rational control over their actions, and generally shape their destinies. I believe those who preach “whatever will be, will be” and claim “the future’s not ours to see” are fools. I see resigned helplessness, and waiting for God to solve problems people could solve themselves, as dangerous. (Note: Appreciation of quantum mechanics and chaos theory has led many scientists away from the notion that complex events always unfold in rigidly determined, predictable ways.)

5♦ #12B
CREATIVE THINKING

More wholistic / intuitive artist, than reductionistic / analytical scientist, I appreciate what can't be measured. I find science limiting. I'm a visual thinker, but also sensitive to environmental cues / related aural images, smell images, taste images, tactile images—and to feelings! Besides imagining, I'm good at abstracting, empathizing, and conceiving of things / situations that don't exist. Beyond Reality, my fantasy can suggest how the world might be. I'm especially productive working at the interface of internal imagination and external experience

K♥ #102B
**EASY-GOING,
DISORDERLY, CAVALIER**

I'm typically relaxed and tolerant in how I approach my work, duties I have, or responsibilities I've accepted. I'm not easily upset or worried about obligations I have to others. I can generally live with an associated lack of careful organization or irregularities in how I go about my activities. I try to minimize the stress in my life and to not “sweat the small stuff.” As such I've acquired a reputation (undeserved?) for being lazy, and having a cavalier attitude. So, seldom am I asked to manage what others value.

A♥ #202B
RELAXED, GENEROUS, LOVING

Metaphorically my mindspace is a pleasant, warm, loving, familiar family home where I am calm and relaxed. Perhaps lack of stress or fears of being unable to cope, makes me more giving / generous. Besides being helpful / kind, I often give others “the benefit of the doubt.” Given this mindset, I feel lots of love. This I connect with feeling affection such that imperfections are overlooked and that others' —or another's—happiness, is critical to one's own. (Note: Many who believe “God is Love” have a similar viewpoint, which some call God-centered.)

2♦ #13
**IN HUMAN/COMPUTER HANDS:
DANCING WITH SYSTEMS**

I think that computer-based analysis and planning can cope with a wide range of problems, from local neighborhood ones to global climate. Modeling physical systems with many levels of organization, even modeling ecosystems, is much easier than tackling social systems. That task should involve “dancing”: humbly gathering and valuing data, learning, being mentally flexible / alert to how the system creates its behavior, and to feedback. We plan / anticipate. Trends → Predictions → Policy Changes. Averting catastrophe to create a future we choose.

10♥ #16B
**GOLDEN RULE, VILLAGE
ETHIC OF MUTUAL HELP**

I see all humans as worthy of special treatment. I believe society would work best if all people obeyed The Golden Rule: that is, treat others as you would want them to treat you. I don't lie, cheat, steal, discriminate, or arbitrarily restrict, because I don't want people doing this to me. If I see someone suffering, beyond empathizing / feeling their pain, I give them compassion. If I see someone in need, I practice a “village ethic of mutual help”: I help them because someday I may similarly need help from someone.

J♥ #33B
HARMING MYSELF: ADDICTION

Increasingly I feel trapped by my own behavior, and that—in my despairing moments—I have no choice to behave otherwise. I am, to some extent, imprisoned by my brain biochemistry. Simply put:
I can't stop doing certain things, even though I need to, or must, to survive.
(Note: Such people are addicted to certain substances and/or behaviors. These include addictions to tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs, painkillers, caffeine, food, sex, sugar / sweets, carbonated soft drinks, gambling, video gaming, shopping, etc.)

Q♥ #14B
**MORAL ARC OF UNIVERSE /
KARMA / REINCARNATION**

Without involving guilty conscience, God, or divine judgment, I feel the moral arc of the universe somehow bends towards justice—perhaps in a spiritual version of action / reaction or cause / effect. (Note: Some extend this with “cosmic justice” where a person's actions in one life produce karmic forces with consequences in future lives. This requires believing a non-physical essence (soul, consciousness, etc.) in each of us survives death and is part of a continual cycle of birth & rebirth. Some believe that over-coming desire and ego allows escaping this cycle → Nirvana.)

9♥**#17A****BITTERNESS, VENGEANCE**

If my current state is less than desired, I often focus on what's wrong, feel bitter, angry, resentful, and look to assign blame. My response to feeling victimized is often to seek revenge and punish those responsible. (Note: Some report that, until they get justice or enact revenge, they feel as if they're held captive by the need for it. Bringing religion into this, those worshiping a spiteful Old Testament God may opt for vengeance and "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth." Some vengeance is shame or scape-goating related. This can span a wide range: anything from ostracism to honor killing, murder / genocide.)

8♥**#18A****PASSIONATELY IMPULSIVE**

I know that some people carefully, rationally weigh alternatives when they come to a fork in the road. I'm typically not like that. Often my needs seem urgent and my actions are guided by powerful feelings—fear, anger, love, jealousy, lust, frustration, intuition, sympathy, courage, possessiveness, insecurity, sociability, hostility, sorrow, etc. (Notes: 1) Rather than acting in goal-oriented, measured fashion, primitive urges or childish reactions often spur this person's actions. 2) Undoubtedly, rash, risky, "do without thinking actions" lead to early, sudden death for many.)

7♥**#28A****HEDONISTIC ORIENTATION**

I live life to maximize my own pleasure / happiness, and minimize pain, suffering, and doing without. So, I seek lots of whatever brings me pleasure: food, drink, material things, consumer goods, interactions with friends, sexual gratification, music, sports, games, gambling, recreational drug use, etc. (Note: hedonists are short-term oriented and neglect their health in embracing "eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die." Some, the more affluent, may even more selfishly indulge in pleasure seeking—but do so by finding/creating another world where they can better escape painful realities poor folks face.)

6♥**#3****UNRESTRAINED / EVIL**

I believe evil exists separately from us. Have you ever wondered what might happen if your conscience—through no fault of your own—was captured by a demon? If, directed by an evil force, the anger and hate inside you was no longer restrained but instead loosed on others? If—without that inner voice restraining you—you could do anything you wanted to? Given our flawed, sinful nature, I think the potential for this happening exists in all of us. (Note: critics refer to this viewpoint as "the myth of pure evil." They'd say that those who use it to justify their actions when self-restraint breaks down are deluding themselves.)

5♥**#32A****HUMAN RIGHTS**

I wish for all law-abiding people: "life, liberty", equality before the law, legal recourse when rights or privacy are violated, presumption of innocence until proven guilty, and the right to appeal conviction. I'd outlaw discrimination (by race, sex, color, nationality, language, sexual orientation), arbitrary arrest, torture, imprisonment due to poverty, inhuman treatment and enslavement. I'd grant freedom—of movement, speech and creative expression (exempting what is hateful or hurtful to society), assembly, religion, to fair compensation for work, and to choose a marriage partner

4♥**#32B****CULTURE OF TOLERANCE**

I respect, accept and appreciate the rich diversity of our world's cultures, our different forms of expression and different ways of being human. Rather than using differences in appearance or behavior to exclude, I aim to celebrate them and include where appropriate. For such diverse people to live in harmony, whether on the world or local stage, educational efforts are needed. At the local level, such education helps others appreciate both the challenges diversity poses and benefits it brings to neighborhoods. (Note: several groups have "Teaching Tolerance" projects.)

3♥**#38****LOVE AS FAMILY GLUE**

I see love as the glue holding together families—including loosely defined ones and those not linked by genes or legal ties. And I associate families with life's great joys. Inside the family home, unconditional love can provide unmatched comfort / security feelings. Meeting what some may call family obligations—like spending quality time together, parents nurturing /sacrificing for growing children, children respecting (even honoring) parents / grandparents despite their faults and helping comfort / care for them as they age, etc.—should flow naturally out of this love.

2♥**#41****STRUGGLING WITH A BASIC NEED: SELF ESTEEM**

I'm struggling to find the road to emotional maturity and make peace with myself. I seek a sense of my own intrinsic value, self respect, confidence in my ability to see life as a challenge—not a threat—and being able to enjoy it in relaxed fashion. I want to leave behind what's inside me too often now: feeling alienated, unworthy, ashamed, that I can't cope, that I'm a failure; too concerned about what others think of me; anxiety, fear, and self doubt. When I'm really down on myself, with this battle raging inside, I lose hope.

A+**#203A****HIERARCHICAL RIGIDITY**

This title names the conservatism that's part of my worldview: it's associated with a social dominance orientation in which a social hierarchy is maintained via discrimination-based legitimizing tools (paternalism, meritocracy, race-based, wealth-based, etc.) Believing it's consistent with a natural order and fosters social stability, I accept the inequality inherent in such social ladder society—and its often centralized organizational /power structure based on adhering to rules, conforming in a cultural / moral sense—and value property rights and the status quo.

7♥**#28B****HEALTHY ORIENTATION**

I like this advice: "You only get one body. How well you care for it—or don't care for it—makes a big difference in the length and quality of your life." (Note: those who value health will need to take care of their body's immediate physical & mental health needs. And educate them-selves as to long-term needs based on sound medical science. Good nutrition, exercise, plenty of sleep, etc can lessen both fear of, and likelihood of, illness. Meditating, having friends/ emotional support can help with stress (which can → illness.) All of this is wise from both coping and, with high cost of health care, financial perspectives.

8♥**#18B****DISPASSIONATE**

I am often stoically indifferent to pleasure or pain, and often unmoved by joy or grief. I typically make decisions after careful deliberation, free from passion, unaffected by emotions, and when necessary am able to resist instant gratification and wait. (Notes: 1) No doubt some differences in dispassionate and passionately impulsive people can be traced to brain biochemistry. 2) Learning /feedback and shaping future actions from memories of past experience can be an important part of living a long, full life. Likewise memories can help people live on after death.)

9♥**#17B****GRATITUDE, FORGIVENESS**

If my current state is less than desired, I try to focus on what's right, feel grateful that I am alive, hopeful that my plight will improve, and become determined to make it so. When I'm feeling victimized, I try to make peace with what happened. When appropriate, I offer forgiveness, unload emotional baggage, and perhaps even make some good flow from evil. Forgiving can trigger a cathartic feeling of moving out of captivity into freedom. (Note: Bringing religion into this, those worshipping a loving New Testament God "turn the other cheek" and are lenient /forgiving.)

4♥**#39B****BLAMING / SCAPEGOATING**

In my anger over outrage / hurt I've suffered, I may single out a person or group to blame. (Note: scape-goating often involves discriminating by unfairly blaming others for some (real or imagined) offense. It happens at all levels: from sport fans blaming a player for a loss, to parents targeting an unwanted child, to prejudiced people targeting someone whose looks, skin color, or sexual orientation they don't like, to organized groups committing hate crimes, to nation states targeting whole populations for genocide. Some scape-goaters are racists; some are bigots; some are misogynists; some just insecure childish adults.)

5♥**#33A****SERVITUDE / ENSLAVED**

I've something in common with many people, something I find abhorrent: my life is severely constrained. While we are all rather powerless, the cause of this condition may be quite different: extreme poverty, massive debt, harsh environmental conditions, ignorance, prejudice against us, disability, the authority or greed of some dominating individual who exploits us, kidnapping, dogmatic beliefs, imprisonment, restrictions imposed by an authoritarian government, etc. (Note: few choose this for themselves, but many—perhaps including you?—directly or indirectly choose it for others.)

6♥**#29A****THE SELF-RESTRAINED PERSON**

I heed my conscience to some extent and live a life of self-denial and adherence to behavioral guidelines. (Note: the origin of such guidelines, whether from work schedule, legal, marriage vow, military, financial, health, family, environmental, ethical, or religious considerations, can differ. And commitments differ. Monks and nuns commit to a life of asceticism, others to voluntary simplicity. For dieters, those battling addiction, athletes, those working a job they don't enjoy, restraint lasts until some goal is attained.)

A♣**#203B****EGALITARIAN PROGRESSIVE**

This title names the social justice path valuing equality my worldview is built on. I believe all humans should have the same rights, opportunity /privileges. Where their goals are consistent with this belief, I support collective struggles against centralized power that seek to reform church, state, political, and economic institutions. I generally don't like discrimination/ exclusion. I support 1) social movements that are hierarchy attenuating (not enhancing) – feminism and affirmative action are examples, and 2) empowering the powerless.

2♥**#52****PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED
→ INDEPENDENT LIVING**

Perhaps like you, I value self determination, self respect and equal opportunity—but unlike you I have a handicap. This makes my fully functioning and achieving difficult, if not impossible. Even when I seemingly overcome this condition, I'm conscious it exists. I'm aware that people and /or technology "crutches" often help me. I'd like to depend on these less, and more often function independently. In rising to challenges posed by old age, illness, pain, impairment, etc, I've overcome obstacles once thought insurmountable. I continue to hope!

3♥**#39A****TOUGH LOVE**

I think tight knit monogamous families are where children acquire high moral standards and discipline through continual reinforcement and parental modeling. In parenting—and teaching children to accept responsibility— I believe kindness can do more harm than good. We shouldn't pamper, spoil, or indulge. We should allow for some independent discovery— even if that means children learning from mistakes. When my child's or spouse's behavior falls short, rather than accept excuses, he /she should be confronted with my expectations as to their rectifying it!

K+ #103A

INDIVIDUAL GLORY

I am competitive and prefer "I win, you lose" zero sum game outcomes. I can be egotistical. I have something of a pioneering spirit and at times am comfortable being "a lone wolf." I will sometimes seek credit for contributions I make to group efforts, rather than just remaining anonymous. I value a social philosophy / belief system that places individual interests and rights above those of society—and individual freedom, self-reliance and independence above any social contract obligations. Where applicable I'll more often say "I" than "we" and "me" instead of "us."

Q+ #20B

AUTHORITARIANISM

If I had no choice, I could be happy living in a non-democratic authoritarian system. I suppose I'd meekly accept subjugation, losing some freedom, having no vote (indeed voting can be a chore!) I'd hope the system would be social contract-based so that law and order is maintained, duties and rights of citizens are spelled out, and leaders respond to public opinion. Whether they're from the aristocracy, single political party, military dictatorship, religious group, techno elite, etc, if I felt the leaders had the people's consent I'd accept their legitimacy and put my faith in them.

J+ #20A

ELITISM

I have problems with democracy. I think most people are ill-prepared to vote /decide what's best for society. I don't trust assemblies of such peo-ple; I fear their collective strength. Society is best served by a select group of clear-sighted, capable leaders /experts. Highly educated, trained, and groomed to wield power, they should maintain law and order, promote production of wealth, and guide the masses toward ends they deem appropriate. (Note: Elitists often identify with capital not labor, and with experts not the people's collective wisdom. Some use money to magnify their voices and manipulate outcomes!)

10+ #34

VALUING TRADITIONS / STATUS QUO

I believe that the rules and customs of any long-lived society deserve respect. This glue, shaped by challenges of untold demands, holds society together. While those guided by self interest may not like limits on behavior that society imposes, accepting them is a responsible choice. (Note: Those who respect authority, law & order, and value the hard work / sacrifices of their ancestors, will be comfortable with this theme. So will many who value traditional gender-based roles and long-lived religious institutions.)

9+ #21B

SERVICE TO OTHERS

I value and admire those who wish to serve others— either out of sense of civic duty, a desire to give something back to the community, or simply because they care about people suffering and struggling and want to help. While not all of us can run for public office, work for a non-profit community service organization, or volunteer to help the sick, deprived, uneducated, etc—we can show our support for dedicated public servants and groups that do. At times I have felt good about giving my own time and energy or charitable contribution to aid such efforts.

8+ #42

ETHICAL ORIENTATION

I'd say ethics starts with honesty and respect for laws, extends in earning a living to adhering to professional ethical codes and avoiding conflicts of interest, and for those especially concerned with social justice, comes to include applying principles which involve asking questions, like 1) Greatest General Good Principle: "Will this benefit the greatest number of people?" 2) Principle of Fraternal Charity: "If tables were turned, could I live with the consequences of my decision?" 3) Principle of Universality: "What would be the results if everyone acted in this manner?"

7+ #19A

COMPETITIVE CAPITALISM

I believe in individuals and small businesses rationally behaving in a diverse, self-interest based economy with widely spread ownership. As availability of resources, jobs, products and market conditions change, workers, employers, producers, buyers, sellers, etc. compete to maximize gain. Competition, for the most gain, best job, etc, promotes efficiency, lower prices, and anticipating changes. It stimulates people to work hard, innovate, take chances. Capitalism is built on commodification and market transactions based on the exchange values of things

6+ #19B

CORPORATE CAPITALISM

Large corporations are superior to small business in their limited liability, greater ability to get capital, exploit natural advantages, enjoy economies of scale, lobby and shape government policy. Those that have grown by consolidating with rivals may face limited competition. I'm awed by how they harness production forces, satisfy consumers, and create wealth. I'm optimistic management will move beyond seeking short-term profits for share-holders and steadily become more sensitive to stake-holders —including workers, the community, the environment, etc.

5+ #37A

PROUD IDENTIFICATION & TRIBALISM

I take pride in being a(n)

(insert name of nationality, religious / ethnic group, tribe, etc).

I identify with other members of this group, and sometimes favor them as I interact with people in general. Proudly I display symbols of this affiliation and will fight or otherwise serve our cause in battles where our interests are at stake. (Note: Tribalism also lives here! Besides "us" and "them," this involves thinking / behaving / voting based on loyalty to social group not larger whole)

J+

#21A

POPULISM

“The People — Yes!” This sums up my trust in people’s collective wisdom / resourcefulness. “Together, We Are Strong!” This embodies my faith that—though they may struggle to do so—they’ll triumph over forces wanting to fool them with misinformation, divide them with prejudice, dominate their workplaces, and wrest power from communities seeking to control their own affairs. I recognize their hard work and promote their continuing education. Like Jefferson, I see common people as “the most honest and safe depository of the public interests.”

Q+

#31

EDUCATION FOR DEMOCRACY

I like the feedback that well-educated citizens provide elected officials in a democracy with their votes. I don’t think this will work without them, as they’re, as Jefferson put it, “ultimate guardians of their own liberty.” So... free K—12 state supported education for all should promote 1) skills to make valued workers, and lifelong learners / critical thinkers, 2) people skills / community values, 3) understanding of technologically and ethically complex issues they may one day vote on, and 4) their ability to ultimately select good leaders.

K+

#103B

CELEBRATING TEAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

I am a team player. I love being part of co-operative efforts. I like “win-win” outcomes and think there’s enough glory to go around. I suspect that my self-esteem benefits from the community groups I belong to, and to a “sense of belonging”. I value a social philosophy / belief system that emphasizes the interdependence of every human being and promotes co-operation over competition. I’d say I’m more spiritual and value connectedness, than egotistical. Where applicable, more often I’ll say “we” than “I”, or refer to “us” instead of “me.”

8+

#43

SEEKING WEALTH AND POWER

Here’s my “ethics”: “Pursue your own gain, otherwise predators will eat you. The strong survive, the weak don’t — it’s natural law—Just as maximizing your happiness and pleasure comes naturally— not sacrificing for others. Pursuing your own “I want”’s insures you’re master—no one is pulling your strings.” Rather than saying “I have enough” / sharing your riches, continue your quest for more. Celebrate success as evidence of your superiority. The meek won’t inherit the Earth. “Those who have the gold make the rules!”

9+

#36

CYNICISM

Once I thought people could be trusted, had good intentions, were decent, caring, honorable. Now I think otherwise: humans are self-serving; many are corrupt: fraud / bribery follows them! Those who embrace altruism are deluded, not seeing misguided self-interest for what it is. Many “do gooders” are hypocrites, too stupid to see themselves as such. I was once more accepting and forgiving. Now I am critical—sneering at, and finding fault with, much of what people do and say. Most politicians are crooks. I don’t support “public servants”!

10+

#35B

WORKING FOR CHANGE

I’m dissatisfied with the status quo. Three factors— gauging 1) my dissatisfaction, 2) the perceived gap between how things should be and how they are, and 3) my belief in the need for and/or rightness of the change I’m working for— determine the strength of my commitment. (Note: Activities the dissatisfied pursue can include raising public awareness, political campaigning, lobbying, building social movements to reform the system from within, filing lawsuits, organizing strikes, boycotts, civil disobedience, violent revolutionary/terrorist tactics, etc.)

5+

#37B

GLOBAL CITIZEN

I do not primarily identify with any particular nationality, religious or ethnic group. I think of myself first as a global citizen. Metaphorically, I sail through the universe with Earth as “my blue boat home!” In ethical decision-making considerations involving “people” and “place,” I identify all human beings with the former, and planet Earth with the latter. No one is excluded from my ethical concerns tent—everyone is inside, all are family. (Note: global citizens seek to think / behave / vote based on protecting our planetary home and the well being of all its inhabitants.)

6+

#49A

SOCIAL WELFARE STATISM

I believe in reining in corporate power and concentrating economic controls / planning in the hands of a highly centralized government (statism). I prefer government that: 1) takes responsibility to ensure that everyone is looked out for by providing extensive social services, and 2) assures environmental quality, workplace safety / societal stability through appropriate regulations. (Note: While social welfare states heavily tax private property, they don’t challenge its sanctity as socialism does.)

7+

#48B

LIKING CO-OPERATION-BASED COMMUNITIES

I prefer cooperation to competition, since the latter can bring out the worst in people. I prefer locally controlled economic arrangements involving a mixture of cooperative, employee-owned, and private businesses. I like community-based voluntary, democratic organizations in which people join hands in promoting community, common good, and local self-reliance. I dislike big, authoritarian, centralized; I like face to face barter, recognizing experiential value, and distinguishing goods from commodities.

<p>4♣ #35A GENDER / SEXUAL NONCONFORMITY I assert personal autonomy, flaunt societal convention, and protect my sense of identity / authenticity as follows: I publicly acknowledge one or more of the following: 1) my sexual orientation deviates from what has traditionally been socially (and in some cases, legally!) acceptable — typically meaning... I'm homosexual, 2) my gender identity (female or male) does not correlate with the sex assigned to me at birth, 3) you should think of me as neither male nor female but rather of indeterminate gender. 4) I am not monogamous.</p>	<p>3♣ #36B CONSPIRACIES Some say I'm deluded, that I play fast & loose with facts. I am cynical. My suspicions of others' motives often extend to imagining a few individuals with a hidden agenda conspiring to infiltrate institutions, manipulate events and shape outcomes to their liking. (Note: This belief is more likely when those imagining feel anxious /alienated. It can 1) involve simplistic B&W portrayal of something much more complex, 2) devolve into paranoia, or 3) help uncover actual conspiracy — although typically none exists! Some link their belief in a particular conspiracy to seemingly unrelated societal problems.)</p>	<p>2♣ #50A LIBERTARIAN I oppose 1) taxes beyond those needed for law enforcement /national defense, 2) government interference with free market forces, and 3) laws limiting individual freedom—restricting speech / public expression, limiting firearms, requiring military service, making certain acts crimes where there's no victim, restrictions on private property use, etc. Freedom is protected by such property, so governments should not appropriate it for public welfare. Like Ayn Rand, I see "the virtue of selfishness" and value "the non-aggression principle."</p>
<p>A♠ #204A FREEDOM FROM LIMITS If my actions don't directly bother or harm other human beings—or negatively impact their property—I believe I'm free to do whatever I want with my body, my machines or my property—including land I own. I don't think we live on a small planet since it's big enough to seem mostly devoid of human presence over vast areas. If we ever do run out of living space / resources on Earth, we'll simply go elsewhere in space for them.</p>	<p>K♠ #104A HUMAN CENTERED I find aspects of my worldview and outlook on life are, to some degree, associated with taking a human being centered viewpoint where humans are the most important thing in the universe. I feel humans are special, stand apart from nature, and "the world belongs to humans." I am comfortable with the increasing commodification of everything and valuing other things based on usefulness to humans. (Note: some extend this in worshipping a Personal and Moralistic God and highly valuing their own ultimate salvation.)</p>	<p>Q♠ #4 HANDS OFF MY BODY I think the most basic human right is having control of what you do to your own body. So I say to narrow-minded moralists, lawmakers, etc. seeking to restrict my exercising this right: "Hands off my body!" Steps a young woman takes to insure that her body does not give birth to an unwanted child are her business, not yours. Steps a sick suffering man takes to end his own life with dignity are his business, not yours. From a global perspective, the history of life tells us some things have to die for others to live, and that our crowded planet needs fewer people, not more.</p>
<p>J♠ #25 ANTHROPOCENTRISM I'd say we have dominion over the natural world (some would say it's God-given) because we're superior / more intelligent than the animals and plants we share it with. So I believe that the natural environment should be used, developed, and enjoyed— in short, nature should serve people. Creatively developing the land so that it's more to my liking, and fully utilizing its resources or otherwise benefiting from such activity, is part of being human—not something I should apologize for or feel guilty about. Doing this is not just morally defensible, it's human nature.</p>	<p>10♠ #22A ECONOMIC GROWTH I'd say economies are healthy when they're growing, creating lots of jobs, and there's good public / private sector co-operation. Investing in infrastructure and better access to information improves productivity and decision-making. Investing in human skills leads to new ideas, new technologies—and new markets. The benefits of growth and free trade will overcome poverty. While environmental problems can be formidable, government and corporate planners —backed by scientific and technological expertise—are up to the challenge. Growth is good!</p>	<p>9♠ #23B ENOUGHNESS I aim to maximize well-being, while minimizing consumption and ecological footprint. I like the 5 "R"s: reusing, repairing, recycling, refusing to buy what I don't need, and reducing waste. I like voluntary simplicity, and "small is beautiful" appropriate technology — which has no significant environmental impact and takes advantage of what is abundant (including human labor). I don't think "more is better" and like the freedom to take personal responsibility and say "I have enough!" (Note: many have no choice and practice enoughness out of necessity, beginning with frugality / "making do.")</p>

<p>2♣ #50B</p> <p>LEFT ANARCHIST</p> <p>My brand of libertarianism abolishes the state altogether, and abandons or vastly reduces private property rights. It values egalitarianism—empowering the powerless —and order. It replaces government with free associations. Co-ops and communes would be key units in this ideal way to organize society I imagine. (Note:Left anarchism comes in different forms. One is collectivist anarchism where means of production are collectively owned and managed by producers themselves with labor-based compensation; another emphasizes need-based distribution.)</p>	<p>3♣ #49B</p> <p>SOCIALISM</p> <p>I'm idealistic—some say deluded. I can imagine...somewhere... ethical, honest, altruistic people conspiring to infiltrate key institutions, manipulate events and shape outcomes to their liking. They believe in a centrally planned economic system in which, the state controls all means of production, and this, and distribution, are designed to satisfy human needs. Common good, not private profit / accumulation of wealth, is valued! If true, I would not find this conspiracy all that disturbing! (Note: Some socialists value democracy; some are authoritarians;some are communists who want all property held in common)</p>	<p>4♣ #48A</p> <p>PRIVACY</p> <p>I value <u>privately</u> asserting personal autonomy, perhaps flaunting societal norms, and secluding myself — hiding behind walls, hiding information about myself from the scrutiny of others or their technology-based tools / databases. I seek to avoid disturbance (serenity compromise), embarrassment (confidentiality compromise), injury (security compromise) and /or bodily integrity compromise by others (including corporations seeking profit or governments failing to respect my body.) I see the extent I'm able to do this depends on socioeconomic factors and my relative power / powerlessness.</p>
<p>Q♠ #44A</p> <p>SANCTITY & DIGNITY OF LIFE</p> <p>I believe life is a sacred, mysterious gift. I stand in awe of the conscious, feeling, vibrant expression of life. Accordingly, I will not engage in any behavior, nor sanction any acts that terminate such life, or needlessly inflict pain on such living things. My respect for the sanctity, integrity, and dignity of life is such that I will <u>oppose</u> certain medical, biotechnological, or agri-business practices that I see as tampering with or degrading it— including abortion, euthanasia, capital punishment and genetic engineering.</p>	<p>K♠ #104B</p> <p>BELONGING TO NATURE</p> <p>I believe humans are part of nature, not its rulers. People should cherish, revere, and sometimes stand in awe of natural beauty, not despoil it or threaten the integrity of ecosystems. The interconnected unity of its parts / processes should be valued without regard to usefulness to people. Sources of a belonging to nature feeling include living in wilderness, a groundedness that comes from working the soil, and indigenous religion. Natural pantheists identify God with a self-organizing, ever evolving, perhaps self aware universe. Pantheists don't recognize a Personal God, but typically equate God with the sum of all existence.</p>	<p>A♠ #204B</p> <p>LIMITS AND ETHICS</p> <p>I recognize I'm part of some integrated whole that interfaces with a bigger human community and the natural world. Rather than acting as I please, I know I must respect that bigger whole—whether it's my immediate family, village, urban water cycle, natural ecosystem, etc. —and limit my impacts based on ethical, scientific, and other considerations. I believe we live on a small planet and that our collective actions are increasingly making our planetary home unlivable. Going elsewhere in space to live is a fantasy: If we ruin Earth, we have no viable Plan B.</p>
<p>9♠ #26B</p> <p>MORE IS BETTER MENTALITY / ABUNDANCE</p> <p>I prefer experiences / things that are richer, bigger, louder, longer, faster, stronger, with more features etc. It's human nature to seek status and prefer winning over losing; being associated with big, strong, powerful things— whether they be machines, houses, cars, human body parts etc—rather than feeling small, weak, and powerless. I like having the freedom to generally have more! (Note: With “prosperity theology” or “abundant life” some connect this with religion. Critics point to traditional religious vows of poverty / asceticism, and “live simply so that others may simply live.”)</p>	<p>10♠ #23A</p> <p>SUSTAINABILITY</p> <p>Unrestrained growth threatens Earth's biosphere. I believe we need sustainable development: meeting present needs without compromising the future. Each generation should leave the next at least as much wealth per capita as it inherited, where wealth includes both manmade and natural capital. Economies should be based on people and environment friendly technologies, renewable energy use, and resource recycling. Their health should be gauged by indicators of sustainability and well-being. We need to move beyond thinking “all growth is good!”</p>	<p>J♠ #44B</p> <p>BELONGING TO NATURE</p> <p>I believe humans are part of nature, not its rulers. People should cherish, revere, and sometimes stand in awe of natural beauty, not despoil it or threaten the integrity of ecosystems. The interconnected unity of its parts / processes should be valued without regard to usefulness to people. Sources of a belonging to nature feeling include living in wilderness, a groundedness that comes from working the soil, and indigenous religion. Natural pantheists identify God with a self-organizing, ever evolving, perhaps self aware universe. Pantheists don't recognize a Personal God, but typically equate God with the sum of all existence.</p>

8♣ #26A
THE CONSUMERIST

I value freedom to spend money and buy things. If I like what a product can do for me—and its image/ associated message (which we encounter constantly)— I will buy it. If I am envious of something someone else has, I will work to get one for myself. When I tire of a possession, I discard it for something new. Often, I express who I am through what I buy. I find my needs can be met if I shop around, and I like to shop. (Note: many shoppers give no thought as to resource use, chemical residues, packaging / waste disposal issues behind products they buy.)

7♠ #24A
STRUGGLING WITH A BASIC NEED: SUSTENANCE

Seldom feeling playful or creative, my life is dominated by drudgery and struggle to provide necessities so I / my family can survive. This struggle often leaves me in a weakened state, but sometimes I pause and ask, “Are my / our sustenance needs being met, and are prospects good they’ll continue to be met in the future?” If the answer is no, then I must make changes. I fear the day when I have no choices, and death lurks nearby. (Note: poor people, especially those confronting injustice, may not accord people or nature the respect that they would if their lives were more rewarding.)

6♠ #45A
BORROWING MENTALITY

I prefer having/doing something now — borrowing money (becoming obligated) to make that possible— rather than waiting until a future time when I’ve saved enough money to (or can otherwise) have / do it. In general, I have no problem with individuals or governments contracting monetary, personal or ecological debts against tomorrow so that I (or society) can have / do something today. (Note: many employ leverage: using borrowed funds to purchase an asset, having that asset appreciate in value, and selling it at a big profit!)

5♣ #46A
TECHNOLOGICAL FIX

In confronting big problems or minor human inconvenience / irritation, I look to technological ingenuity / design / problem solving skills. I trust engineers & planners using technology assessment to find technology-based solutions to such problems. Such efforts have steadily brought nature under control and greatly increased human comfort. (Note: critics say labor-saving advances have promoted unhealthy sedentary lives, social media etc. have promoted virtual interactions over in person, real ones, and out of control technology threatens ecosystem and planetary environmental health.)

4♣ #46B
MILITARY BACKERS

I think of militarists as exalting military virtues / symbols, being comfortable following orders and with the military chain of command, advocating military preparedness, being the first to call for war, etc. — and I call myself one with some hesitancy. While I don't doubt that waging modern war is the ultimate technological solution to problems essentially based on disputes between people, I know that great military leaders can nonetheless prefer diplomacy and see war as something to be avoided. Sometimes that isn't possible. Sometimes evil is so entrenched that war is the only way to eradicate it.

3♣ #22B
IMPERIALISM

I welcome affluent nations / multinational corporations extending power and influence over developing nations, and believe everyone benefits. The big rich entities benefit from new markets for products, resource extraction, etc; poor regions from economic development and exposure to values / life-style / culture of the affluent world— which I view as superior to those they supplant. I view favorably the nation building that sometimes accompanies military interventions, and may even accept territorial expansion of the more developed at the expense of less developed world.

2♣ #40
ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS

Holes in market-based capitalism must be fixed! Prices must include life cycle environmental health impact fees. Fossil fuel subsidies must end. Renewable energy based efficient industrial activities most like natural processes (matter recycling in closed systems) should be promoted—not wasteful polluters. Use of Earth’s commons (air, water, land, soil, trees, minerals) should be linked to responsibility to protect it. Incentives should encourage producing necessities (small affordable housing, plant based food, clean water), valuing and protecting biodiversity and natural capital (esp. soil), and reducing inequity.

PROJECT WORLDVIEW CHOICES WE MAKE



It’s just a humble card deck— but it can burst bubbles, change minds, and just perhaps...

CAN CHANGE THE WORLD

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INSTRUCTIONS continued
Incl. TWO PERSON ACTIVITY

On the “Choices We Make” program, you can select a one or two person option. Follow instructions. Use the cards from your four piles (and perhaps the 2nd player’s) to enter data. A % correlation between your selected card choices and those of generic folks in eight categories will be computed incl.

*USA HUMANIST PROGRESSIVE
 NEW AGE USA CONSERVATIVE
 CHRISTIAN proSCIENCE proBUSINESS
 WORLD’S POOR proENVIRONMENT*

and if selected, a % correlation between your choices and the 2nd player’s. Inconsistent (contradictions in your worldview) card choices can also be found using a separate check sheet.

6♣ #45B
WORK HARD, PAY AS YOU GO

I think personal debts can lead to loss of choice/ freedom if one must keep working to pay them off, when one would prefer doing something else. Likewise debts / obligations, if not honored, can lead to guilt. Ecological debts can produce guilt if one knows disrupting natural cycles leaves future generations with a mess to fix. To maximize choices I have—and avoid feeling guilty or obligated, worries about bills, loans, or interest charges— to some extent in my life as a whole I adopt a "work hard, pay as you go" approach.

7♠ #24B
CREATIVE EXPRESSION

I view life as more playground, where I express my creativity, rather than prison where I struggle to survive. So living spaces I design go beyond mere shelter: they bring form and function together in practically pleasing ways. As writer / artist / designer / composer, my creations come to life when creative thinking / passive observing / listening / experience ends—and active describing / storytelling / sharing begins. Seems my best art imposes artificial structure on transient chaos, and is presented not in isolation but as part of interconnected fabric that touches the divine!

8♠ #27
THE SMALL PRODUCER

I'm not happy just buying what others—especially big corporations— provide. I like expressing who I am with what I make with my hands and small tools. Whether I'm producing food, shelter, clothing, pretty arts & crafts, etc—whether it's for my own use or others—I'm generally happiest when I'm doing this type of work—although earning a livelihood this way is challenging! I like societies based on families working the land as small producers. They have great incentive to protect it /maintain its productivity out of self-interest, etc. (Note: many have no choice: they must produce to survive.)

3♠ #51A
ETHICAL GLOBALIZATION

To insure globalization proceeds ethically, I think we need nation transcending authority. This could be provided by strengthening / democratizing existing institutions (UN, IMF, WTO, WHO etc) and creating new ones. It would mediate disputes, do peacekeeping, promote health, regulate international trade— intervening when worker exploitation, environmental / health crises or economic upheaval warranted. It would regulate capital flow, bust monopolies, promote wealth / technology transfer aiding the poor—and protect unique cultural heritages / diversity of all sorts.

4♣ #47B
PACIFISM / NON-VIOLENCE

I think of pacifists as 1) opposed to using guns, war, violence to settle disputes and 2) preferring use of non-violent means to fight evil— rather than vengeance, capital punishment, etc—and I call myself one with some hesitancy. While I see fighting violence with more violence as both morally wrong /contradictory, and don't believe good can come out of evil, I worry that if evil is not punished, not countered with strong action, then more evil will result. (Note: avoiding war through diplomacy, something pacifists applaud, is the ultimate attitudinal fix.)

5♠ #47A
ATTITUDINAL FIX

In confronting big problems or minor human inconvenience / irritation, I look to changing attitudes / behavior with education, drawing on existing social institutions. Defusing anxiety / mistrust conflict brings is a first step (humor can help!) I trust in people coming together and cooperating; in willingness to learn from each other — sharing worldviews, articulating values and goals. This can resolve conflicts and find non-technology or human labor /soft technology based "win, win" imaginative solutions. (Note: critics say this democratic, transparent process may be too time consuming to tackle big urgent problems.)

MORE / RESOURCES

Making Card Choices Tip: Make them based on the actual person you are, not the idealized person you'd like to be! Keep in mind: "Talk is cheap, deeds are what matters" & "Don't lie to yourself" At the "Choices We Make" web page www.projectworldview.org/choices.htm you can read about / print / use online:
1) "Background" explaining card suits, (diamonds, hearts, clubs, spades) meta themes (aces & kings), RH card #s, etc.
2) a "Getting Started" sheet including how to make a card pack from *The Kit*
3) info on paired themes a click away
4) Scorecard & Consistency Check sheet
5) computer analysis programs / details
6) choices behind generic worldviews
7) a Gin Rummy-like educational game

INSTRUCTIONS

FOR ONE OR TWO PEOPLE

Each card contains two themes, one on each side. For each of the 52 cards, pick the theme you're most comfortable with that best represents your worldview. Make four piles* sorting as follows:
#1 cards where you have a strong preference for one of the two themes
#2 cards where you have a definite (but not as strong) preference
#3 cards with a very slight preference
#4 cards where you've no preference
Always place the theme you prefer up.
The # of cards in each pile must be as follows: #1:20; #2:20; #3: 8; #4: 4
No aces or kings can be put in pile #4.
* if you can, go online to The "Choices We Make" web page before starting!

2♠ #51B
BIG BUSINESS
PUSHES GLOBAL LIMITS

I value market-based pricing and corporations' profit motive. Their resource extractive (fossil fuels, mining, etc.) endeavors should speed up as growth demands. Their government partners should push "top down" approaches to meet big challenges: climate change and need for new infrastructure / cybersecurity and "brittle" infrastructure. As we run into resource / carrying capacity limits, we need ambitious (fusion, geo-engineering, space-based solar power, asteroid mining, etc), capital & energy intensive, high tech solutions.

