

Books, Documents, Speeches & Films to Read or See

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American documents & speeches:

Declaration of Independence

The Constitution

Federalist Papers

The Anti-Federalist

Washington's Farewell Address

Jefferson 2nd Inaugural Address

Gettysburg Address

Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death speech of Patrick Henry

Ronald Reagan's *Time for Choosing* speech (1964)

Barry Goldwater's Acceptance Speech to the 1964 Republican Convention

First Principles

The Law, Frederic Bastiat

A Conflict of Visions, Thomas Sowell

Libertarianism: A Reader, David Boaz

Libertarianism: A Primer, David Boaz

Liberty & Tyranny, Mark Levin

Anarchy, State and Utopia, Robert Nozick

The Constitution of Liberty, F.A. Hayek

Conscience of a Conservative, Barry Goldwater

What It Means to Be a Libertarian, Charles Murray

Capitalism and Freedom, Milton Friedman

Free Market Economics

Economics in One Lesson, Henry Hazlitt

Eat the Rich, P.J. O'Rourke

Common Sense Economics: What Everyone Should Know about Wealth & Prosperity: James Gwartney, Richard Stroup and Dwight Lee

Free to Choose, Milton Friedman

Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations, Adam Smith

Capitalism, Socialism & Democracy, Joseph Schumpeter

Basic Economics: A Citizen's Guide to the Economy, Thomas Sowell

Human Action, Ludwig von Mises

Principles of Economics, Carl Menger

Myths of Rich and Poor, W. Michael Cox and Richard Alm

The Economic Way of Thinking, 10th edition, Paul Heyne, Peter J. Boettke, David L. Prychitko

Give Me a Break: How I Exposed Hucksters, Cheats and Scam Artists and Became the Scourge of the Liberal Media..., John Stossel

Other books of importance:

The Road to Serfdom, F.A. Hayek
Knowledge and Decisions, Thomas Sowell
In Defense of Freedom, and Related Essays, Frank S. Meyer
In Pursuit of Happiness and Good Government, Charles Murray
Theory of Moral Sentiments, Adam Smith
Democracy in America, Alexis de Tocqueville
The Future and its Enemies, Virginia Postrel
Bureaucracy, Ludwig von Mises
Socialism, Ludwig von Mises
Losing Ground, Charles Murray
Capitalism: An Unknown Ideal, Rand, Branden, Hessen & Greenspan
Realizing Freedom, Tom G. Palmer
Ideas Have Consequences, Richard Weaver
Simple Rules for a Complex World, Richard Epstein

History of the Freedom Movement:

The Triumph of Liberty: A 2,000 Year History Told Through the Lives of Freedom's Greatest Champions, Jim Powell
Radicals for Capitalism: A Freewheeling History of the Modern American Libertarian Movement, By Brian Doherty
Upstream: The Ascendance of American Conservatism, Alfred Regnery
A Generation Awakes: Young Americans for Freedom and the Creation of the Conservative Movement, Wayne Thorburn
The Conservative Revolution: The Movement that Remade America, Lee Edwards
The Conservative Intellectual Movement in America Since 1945, George Nash

Biographies

Witness, Whitaker Chambers
My Grandfather's Son, Clarence Thomas
Up From the Projects, Walter Williams
A Personal Odyssey and A Man of Letters, Thomas Sowell
Miles Gone By, William F. Buckley or *William F. Buckley: The Maker of a Movement*, Lee Edwards
Ludwig von Mises, Israel Kirzner
Hayek, Eamonn Butler or *Friedrich Hayek: A Biography*, Alan Ebenstein
Memoirs of a Superfluous Man, Albert Jay Nock

International topics:

The Mystery of Capital, Hernando de Soto
The Other Path, Hernando de Soto
Africa Betrayed, George Ayittey
In Defense of Global Capitalism, Johan Norberg
Equality, the Third World, and Economic Delusion, P.T. Bauer
The White Man's Burden: Why the West's Efforts to Aid the Rest Have Done So Much Ill and So Little Good, William Easterly

Important books about communism:

Life and Death in Shanghai, Nien Cheng
The Black Book of Communism: Crimes, Terror, Repression
The Gulag Archipelago, Alexander Solzhenitsyn
Gulag: A History, Anne Applebaum

American History

The Theme is Freedom, M. Stanton Evans
Novus Ordo Seclorum, Forest McDonald
The Heritage Guide to the Constitution, Edwin Meese, Matthew Spalding, David Forte
Out of Our Past, Carl N. Degler
A History of the American People, Paul Johnson
Vindicating the Founders: Race, Sex, Class, and Justice in the Origins of America, Thomas G. West
On Two Wings: Humble Faith and Common Sense at the American Founding, Michael Novak
A Patriot's History of the United States: From Columbus's Great Discovery to the War on Terror, Larry Schweikart and Michael Allen
What Hath God Wrought: The Transformation of America, 1815-1848, Daniel Walker Howe
An Empire of Wealth: The Epic History of American Economic Power, John Steele Gordon
The Myth of the Robber Barons, Burton W. Folsom, Jr.
Antitrust and Monopoly: Anatomy of a Policy Failure, Dominick Armentano
Railroads and Regulation, 1877-1916, Gabriel Kolko
The Forgotten Man: A New History of the Great Depression, Amity Shlaes
America's Great Depression, Murray Rothbard
New Deal or Raw Deal?: How FDR's Economic Legacy Has Damaged America, Burton W. Folsom, Jr.
Economic Liberties and the Constitution, Bernard Siegan
Restoring the Lost Constitution: The Presumption of Liberty, Randy E. Barnett

Novels with a message:

1984, George Orwell
Animal Farm, George Orwell
Brave New World, Aldous Huxley
One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich, Alexander Solzhenitsyn
Forever Flowing, Vasily Grossman
Atlas Shrugged, Fountainhead, and Anthem, by Ayn Rand
The Brothers Karamozov, Fyodor Dostoevsky
Darkness at Noon, Arthur Koestler
The Moon is a Harsh Mistress, Robert Heinlein

Films:

The Lives of Others

Goodbye Lenin

The Boy in the Striped Pajamas

Burnt by the Sun

Shenandoah

Doctor Zhivago

A Man for All Seasons

Amazing Grace

Amistad

The Castle

Braveheart

The Killing Fields

Breaker Morant

The Singing Revolution (documentary)