

***Civics: A Christian Worldview. What Government System Is This? (10-15 minutes)***  
**TEACHER INSTRUCTIONS/KEY**

**Instructions**

1. **Objective:** Students learn to distinguish socialism, communism, fascism, and limited/just government by applying the concepts from the reading to concrete scenarios.
2. Print Page 2 and hand out to students; give them 10 minutes to decide what government type each scenario represents.
3. Discuss together as a class when finished. (Ask for volunteers!)
4. Quickly ask students the “Wrap-Up” questions below.

**Answer Key**

1. C (dictator-like government)
2. C (suppression of dissent through force)
3. S (government takeover of industry)
4. F (merger of corporate and government power)
5. L (voluntary charity)
6. S (redistribution, taxing “rich” to transfer wealth)
7. L (private ownership, liberty)
8. S (price controls, planning failure—Mises point)
9. C (atheism + absolute ruler power)
10. S/C (state indoctrination through schools)

**Wrap-Up Questions**

- **Why can't socialism “figure out” prices?** (Mises idea; government planners have no mechanism to signal to them that they're “correctly” setting prices, like entrepreneurs do, who lose money if they don't.)
- **What's the difference between Acts 2 and socialism?** (voluntary vs. forced)
- **What is the proper purpose of law?** (to threaten and punish “evildoers”—those who harm and/or steal)
- **What do all three bad systems have in common?** (excessive government power, plunder, etc.)

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Choose what government type is represented by #1-10, and write the correct number by each.

Limited/just government = L

Socialism = S

Communism = C

Fascism = F

1. The state outlaws religion because it “divides the people.” \_\_\_\_\_
2. A ruler jails anyone who criticizes the government and shuts down newspapers. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The government owns the hospitals, schools, and insurance companies. \_\_\_\_\_
4. A business receives special tax breaks because it supports politicians in power. \_\_\_\_\_
5. A church voluntarily collects money to help widows and the poor. \_\_\_\_\_
6. The government taxes wealthy citizens at 70% and uses the money to provide free housing and food to others. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Citizens are allowed to own businesses freely with minimal regulation. \_\_\_\_\_
8. The government fixes prices on food, causing shortages in stores. \_\_\_\_\_
9. A dictator claims he can do anything because there is no God and no moral law. \_\_\_\_\_
10. The state requires all children to attend government schools where only state-approved ideas are taught. \_\_\_\_\_

