Hello! So this is a tough question because it seems to want to polarize us between the parties. I think it is possible to say all humans are capable of hypocrisy in general even if not intentional. What do you think?
**user1**

Honestly both are. Each have their own views and think they are right. I do not expect either to be perfect, but I belive that everyone has the right to be passionate about their choice views, but then in the same time be open to learning about hte opposite side
**user2**

Yes, I agree. I think it makes for a better country to allow people to express themselves without being too quick to jump to conclusions. If I were to consider both sides and had to choose one, it is tempting to select Republicans as more hypocritical. But the question really misses the biggest issues we are experiencing... which is the sheer fact that these polarizing views cause us not to want to listen to each other perhaps.
**user1**

I agree. everything is very poloarizing and no one wants to listen to the other side. And with that, they/we should. It never hurts to know the other story and learn from it, even if it is wrong in your eyes. You may learn something.
**user2**

The one thing I will add, due to recent sad events such as the school situation in Texas: I do find it upsetting to recognize that conservatives in that state refused a mental health bill - I believe it was - that would provide mental health care to people in need at no cost to them. It was refused. Sometimes I cannot help but wonder where that behavior stems from. Is it because they are hypocritical with their behaviors toward gun laws? I don't know if that's so easy to conclude.
**user1**

Yes, I agree! It's nice to chat with someone reasonable about this topic because we could both easily spiral into negative chats about Republicans or extreme far left individuals.
**user1**

Its hard to think about that because texas is such a large pro gun state. Ive had two shootings near me in Michigan and its heart breaking. Im not pro gun, but this is and never has been a gun issue. Its 100% a mental health issue and people tip toe around it and are scared to upset someone. But in reality you need to hurt someone to help them.
**user2**

I'm sad to hear about that in Michigan... It is so gut wrenching to read about these shootings happening in clusters while politicians seem to be unable to come to a conclusion that we need better mental health care access. Yes, it may involve changes to the gun laws as well which means adjusting our sense of individual freedom versus collective freedom as a country. My heart goes out to everyone dealing with these feelings of dread and fear. I find it a bit hypocritical that they blame the shooter as being mentally ill but then refused a bill in that state which would have improved access to people who are struggling with anger and isolation.
**user1**

I agree too. You cant say that they are mentall ill, but then dismiss it...and then another one happens. This has been five in a week..I think theres been five. There has to be one politician out there with compassion that wants to change it. Thats all it takes, one person.
**user2**

But that's not to say Democrats haven't made mistakes in the course of history or behaved hypocritically at times. It simply stands out recently that conservatives, some of them of course not all, chose to behave in a way that blocked people access to the help they desperately need so these events may not occur AS often as they are currently. We're the one nation with the highest amount of mass shootings if I understand right.
**user1**

by far no one is perfect. Its all about hte money as well. Politicians are so money hungry and dont realise that they work for us and not the opposite.
**user2**