Right off the bat I'd have to say that Republicans are way more hypocritical than Democrats
**user1**

Republicans claim to be "all about the people", but it seems like at every turn they try to restrict the people in some way
**user1**

This is a difficult question. There may be reasons why both parties may be hypocritical. Republicans may be hypocritical when they express the value of morality and do not reflect democratic values in their actions.
**user2**

I do not think any party is about all the people. That would be an altruistic motivation, and this may be less likely than an egoistic motivation.
**user2**

I just tend to look at all of the times government politician Republicans rant and rave on social media, and then you look at their voting history in Congress and you can see that they vote the opposite way
**user1**

I feel like I could point out way more instances of high-level Republicans being hypocritical than I could Democrats
**user1**

Do you think there's a particular reason that Republicans end up being hypocritical? Like do you believe it's a character flaw, or is it simpler than that - trying to pander to the rest of the Republicans and Republican voter base?
**user1**

That is a good point. There can be inconsistency in attitudes and behavior. This leads to the question about which reflects authenticity. Republicans may be hypocritical because attitudes and behavior often are not consistent. It is more of a human flaw than character flaw.
**user2**

Also, there are nonconscious processes that influence behavior, and these nonconscious processes may cause in consistencies in attitudes and behavior.
**user2**

I could agree with that - the idea of being a human flaw. But I wonder what separates that from the Democratic party, and why I feel like Democrats are LESS hypocritical. Maybe there is some sort of unconscious bias going on because I consider myself Democratic
**user1**

It's hard because I do consider myself Moderate - because social issues I'm more liberal and economic issues I'm more conservative. So I can agree and understand Republican ideologies, but I still feel like they're the ones who are more deceptive and manipulative
**user1**

We may be better able to rationalize attitudes and beliefs that are similar to our own.
**user2**

Would you rather listen to a hypocritical Democrat or a hypocritical Republican?
**user1**