

**TODAY'S FOCUS:  
LESSON ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS**

1. What is government?
2. What is the purpose of government?

**FOUNDATIONS OF  
GOVERNMENT**

“There has never been, nor ever will be, a people who are politically ignorant and free.”

Thomas Jefferson

**QUESTIONS TO ANSWER:**

**REVISIT:**

- What are the purposes of government?
- Is government necessary?
- What would it be like without government?
  - Frenzy Island

**FRENZY ISLAND...**

- What major problems existed on Frenzy Island?
- What are some solutions?
- What is the common solution?



**WHAT ABOUT SCHOOL?**

- Locked in the school for the weekend.
- No teachers, no principals
- Only students.
- What will happen?
- A STATE OF NATURE?!?!?!?

**CUE UP VIDEO:**

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bTz-DazShYw>

**GOVERNMENT DEFINED....**

**GOVERNMENT IS...**

**An organization of people that makes and enforces laws.**

**PURPOSES OF GOVERNMENT**

- 1. Maintain order & provide national defense
  - 1. Make and enforce laws
  - 2. Responsible for defending territory (land)
  - 3. Security
    - 1. Homeland Security
    - 2. Department of Defense
    - 3. Police Force
    - 4. CIA & FBI

**PURPOSES OF GOVERNMENT**

- 1. Maintain order & provide national defense
- 2. Protect the rights & liberties of the people
  - 1. Court system and justice (due process)
  - 2. Settle disputes between the people
  - 3. Protect the things that can't be taken away

**PURPOSES OF GOVERNMENT**

- 1. Maintain order & provide national defense
- 2. Protect the rights & liberties of the people
- 3. Provide appropriate economic regulations & taxation
  - 1. How to collect money? (tax)
  - 2. How to spend money?
  - 3. Finances to run government

**PURPOSES OF GOVERNMENT**

- 1. Maintain order & provide national defense
- 2. Protect the rights & liberties of the people
- 3. Provide appropriate economic regulations & taxation
- 4. Provide for certain public goods
  - 1. **Public goods:** Services that everyone shares
  - 2. **Services to help people in need**
  - 3. **List examples?**