

A.25

The English-speaking world – Politics

Donald Trump – The 47th President of the United States

Paul Jenkinson



© Alexander/Adobe Stock

Auf einen Blick

1.–3. Stunde

Thema: Donald Trump's inauguration – Lies and truths

M 1 Donald Trump's second inauguration – Key moments / Ein Video von Trumps Amtseinführung erschließen (EA, GA); einen Cartoon analysieren (EA, PL)

M 2 Fact-checking Trump's inauguration speech / Ein Video erschließen (EA); einen Essay schreiben (EA); einen Kurzvortrag halten (EA)

Benötigt: • Digitale Endgeräte und Internetzugang zum Ansehen der Videos und für die Recherche

4./5. Stunde

Thema: Implications of Trump's presidency for the world

M 3 President Trump's second term – What might it mean for the world? / Einen Kurzvortrag halten (PA); einen Artikel erschließen (EA); eine Recherche durchführen und die Ergebnisse schriftlich zusammenfassen (EA)

Benötigt: • Digitale Endgeräte und Internetzugang für die Recherche

6./7. Stunde

Thema: Music and politics – Castigating Trump

M 4 Musicians and politics – Bruce Springsteen vs. Donald Trump / Einen Text, ein Video und einen Social-Media-Post erschließen (EA); einen politischen Song recherchieren und vorstellen (PA)

Benötigt: • Digitale Endgeräte und Internetzugang zum Ansehen des Videos und für die Recherche

8./9. Stunde

Thema: Trump and the tech billionaires – Wealth, influence and power

M 5 **Trump and big tech bromance – Should we be worried?** / Ein Video
erschließen und diskutieren (EA, PL); einen Aufsatz schreiben (EA); einen
Cartoon analysieren (EA, PL)

Benötigt: • Digitale Endgeräte und Internetzugang zum Ansehen des Videos

10./11. Stunde

Thema: True colours – Analysing Trump's character

M 6 **Trump isn't a narcissist – He's a solipsist** / Einen Artikel erschließen (EA);
eine Recherche durchführen und Ergebnisse präsentieren (PA); die Titelseite
einer Zeitschrift analysieren (EA, PL)

Benötigt: • Digitale Endgeräte und Internetzugang für die Recherche

12./13. Stunde

Thema: Trump and climate change – Global negligence

M 7 **Trump's war on climate science** / Ideen für Umweltgesetze sammeln und
diskutieren (PL); einen Artikel erschließen (EA); einen Aufsatz schreiben (EA)

Zusatzmaterial zum Download

ZM1_Transcript_M 5



M 2 Fact-checking Trump's inauguration speech



Tasks

1. Before watching the video, decide whether these statements made by Donald Trump are true or false.



Statements	True	False
a) The USA lost 38,000 lives building the Panama Canal.		
b) The Panama Canal is now run by the Chinese.		
c) Americans have been suffering from record inflation.		
d) America spends the most of any country on health care.		
e) Water was withheld during the Los Angeles fires.		
f) Americans are suffering from the criminality of undocumented immigrants.		



2. Watch the video and note down the real facts concerning a)–f):

<https://raabe.click/inauguration-fact-check>

a)	
b)	
c)	
d)	
e)	
f)	

M 4 Musicians and politics – Bruce Springsteen vs. Donald Trump

Tasks



1. Discuss whether well-known figures from the film and music industries should speak out on political issues.
2. Read the text and describe the impact Bruce Springsteen's homeland has had on him musically and politically.
3. Examine Springsteen's criticisms.
4. Watch the video and tick the correct ending to each statement. You may watch it more than once: <https://raabe.click/Springsteen-Trump>.
 - a) The concert was in ...
 - Canada.
 - the USA.
 - the UK.
 - b) The background music is designed to be ...
 - provocative.
 - emotional.
 - celebratory.
 - c) Sitting on stage creates ...
 - informality.
 - atmosphere.
 - closeness.
 - d) By gesticulating with his hands, Springsteen shows his ...
 - emphasis.
 - disappointment.
 - enthusiasm.
 - e) For effect, he speaks ...
 - dramatically.
 - slowly.
 - loudly.
 - f) Trump heard about Springsteen ...
 - at the White House.
 - during a state visit.
 - on vacation.
 - g) He responded ...
 - on TV.
 - using social media.
 - in a press statement.
 - h) Trump states that he ...
 - once liked Springsteen.
 - appreciates Springsteen.
 - never liked Springsteen.

3. In class, express your views concerning the big tech companies. Consider, for example, their power and influence, the founders' wealth and responsibilities, the effect on daily life, the world dependency on them, their global impact and their political clout.
4. Choose one of the writing tasks:
 - a) If you were the new Zuckerberg or Bezos, what would you do with your wealth?
 - b) "Governments in the democratic world have lost the primacy of governing." Discuss.
 - c) If you were elected president after Trump, what three policies would you immediately implement? Explain in detail.
5. Working with a cartoon
 - a) Describe the cartoon.
 - b) Analyse the cartoon and comment on it.
 - c) Explain how the video and the cartoon are connected.

