



# Patriotism

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# Useful words

- ▶ Commemorate - to remember officially and give respect to a great person or event, especially by a public ceremony or by making a statue or special building
- ▶ Ebullient - very energetic, positive, and happy
- ▶ Endure - to suffer something difficult, unpleasant, or painful
- ▶ Oneness - state of being joined as one thing, and no longer separate
- ▶ Reverence - to very much respect and admire someone or something
- ▶ Welfare - help given, especially by the state or an organization, to people who need it, especially because they do not have enough money
- ▶ Wrap yourself in the flag - to show great loyalty and support for your country in a way that does not ask questions



**YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED  
TO BE SO BLIND WITH  
PATRIOTISM  
THAT YOU CAN'T FACE  
REALITY.  
WRONG IS WRONG,  
NO MATTER WHO SAYS IT.**

**~MALCOLM X**

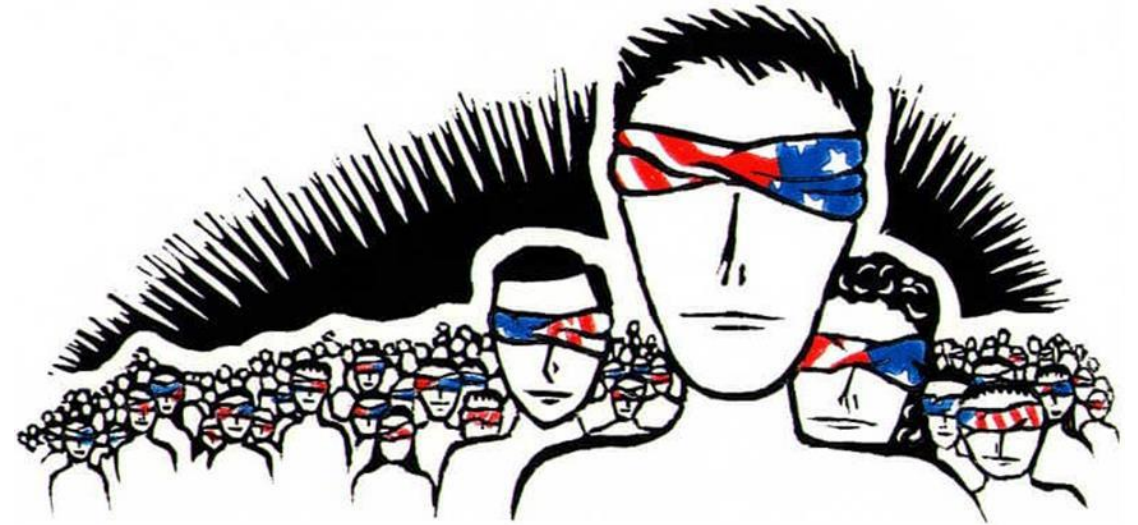
A patriot must  
always be ready to  
defend his  
country against  
his government.

– Edward Abbey



# False patriotism

- 1) Devotion only to trappings (внешние атрибуты) like flag, emblems, wearing special clothes on the special holidays without understanding all these symbols.
- 2) Support an “us” vs “them” mentality based on symbols rather than substance and discourages critical thinking.
- 3) Hypocrisy, when people’s words don’t match their deeds. One can say that he is a patriot but he does nothing to prove it.



# The true patriotism

**True patriotism  
is doing something  
for your country..**

– Bill Maher

- 1) Do your work well with passion and real will. This will improve you as a person and also will improve your country
- 2) Care of environment. And it's not only about the nature but also about people around you
- 3) See and understand advantages and disadvantages of you country and again work hard if you want to change something

# Discuss it!

- ▶ Do you agree with us?
- ▶ Do you consider yourself as a patriot?
- ▶ How can a teacher give to the students the ideas of true patriotism (if it's necessary at all)? Please, discuss it in small groups and then share your thoughts with us.

