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- 4. Actions taken by the federal argument.
- 5. *Legal basis* for those actions
- 6. Federal govt's objectives in its actions
- 7. The inherent conflict in citizens' rights explored
- 8. Costs v. benefits of encryption to American society
- 9. American values on meritocracy according to Pew Research

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- 11. Pew survey research on *meritocratic* attitudes in Europe v. United States
- 12. Republican contribution to dysfunction.
- 13. Democratic/President contribution to dysfunction.

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- 14. What harms come from U.S. cuts to health care research?
- 15. Why are the cuts happening?
- 16. Specifically, what is meant by health-care-research cuts? What gets cut exactly?

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- 17. What items are on the president's climate change agenda?
- 18. How does this such an agenda get executed?
- 19. What is Congress' impact on the pursuit of the agenda's items?