Arguments about the fairness of different economic structures are a core feature of contemporary political debates. Justin Trudeau and David Cameron managed to get themselves elected in part due to their ideas about the economy; Bernie Sanders and Donald Trump are trying to do the same for themselves. In this talk, I introduce some key concepts of distributive justice and examine some common economic claims. Whether you want to run for public office, become more educated in how you vote, or raise the tone of your dining hall discussions, I hope to help everyone think a little more clearly about some of the ideas that have become the currency of contemporary politics.

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