

Values Statements List

1. Leadership involves collaboration
2. America is the most diverse country in the world
3. All people have the potential to be leaders
4. Anyone can be racist
5. Personal and social responsibility is part of being a leader
6. What is often interpreted as racism is really classism
7. Leadership should be values based
8. Men and women are more alike than they are different
9. President Clinton's extra-marital affair with Monica Lewinsky permanently tarnished his presidential legacy
10. People can choose what sexual preference they have
11. Celebrities should be considered as and should act like role models for children
12. People should be allowed to say whatever they want
13. Volunteer members of an organization can be and should be fired for misconduct if similar actions would get them fired in a workplace
14. People should accept the cultural practices of groups they don't belong to, even if they don't agree with them
15. Children should be taught to not question authority
16. People who are part of a minority group have a responsibility to let others know
17. Spanking children is an acceptable form of discipline
18. My racial identity is most important in defining who I am
19. The death penalty should be instituted in every state
20. Materialistic items (like clothes, cars, etc.) are an accurate indication of one's class
21. People who deny medical treatment for their children based on religious or cultural reasons should be held legally responsible in the event that the child dies
22. Gender differences will always exist
23. Communities are best served by individuals from the same or similar communities, i.e., ethnicity, religion, gender, class, age, etc.
24. A person should be able to love and marry a person of any gender/race legally
25. Racism can go both ways – white to minority or minority to white
26. Free speech is a critical foundation in a fair society
27. A person who kills a pregnant woman in an accident should be held responsible for the death of the woman and her fetus
28. I consider my cultural background much more important than my gender and race in defining who I am
29. Other people are taking care of the environment. I don't need to worry about it

30. Lack of family values is responsible for the crisis in America today
31. Animal testing is okay . . . at least it's not done on humans
32. Race is the most important part of one's identity in America
33. Evolution is a proven theory
34. Religion has no place in public schools, the workplace, or government
35. Illegal aliens are entitled to schooling or health care
36. Pornography should be censored from the internet
37. The government has the right to censor any TV show, music, or radio program in the interest of the public good
38. Guns don't kill people, people kill people
39. Most people need to be led
40. Community service should be a requirement for graduation
41. Political correctness is a fad that has gone too far in America
42. We should work to help the needy in the United States before we send Americans to help people in other parts of the world. We have all the problems we can take here at home
43. Hunting does not violate human rights
44. People are only as strong as their ability to resist indoctrination by their surrounding culture
45. The war in Iraq in 2003 showed the United States to be "defenders of freedom," not occupiers
46. Corporate "white-collar" crime should be prosecuted with less fervor than crimes like drug possession or theft charges
47. Healthcare in America should be universally available to all citizens and immigrants
48. Parents should receive federally-funded vouchers to send their children to private school if the public school is failing to help the child succeed
49. The United States should not drill for oil in Alaska in the attempt to reduce dependence on foreign oil supplies
50. Americans live in a culture of fear and consumption