

Cartoons for the Classroom

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Is western democracy in trouble?



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Talking Points

1. Bitter political disputes have crippled the governments of the United States and Britain. What are the disputes about? How are they related to immigration?
2. What are these cartoons saying about these leading democracies and their problems?
3. Is the U.S. and British disarray helping rivals like Russia and China?
4. Has Russia tried to weaken the European Union and the NATO military alliance? What does it want in Syria?
5. Has the rise of authoritarian leaders in nations like Hungary and Turkey diminished freedom and democracy?

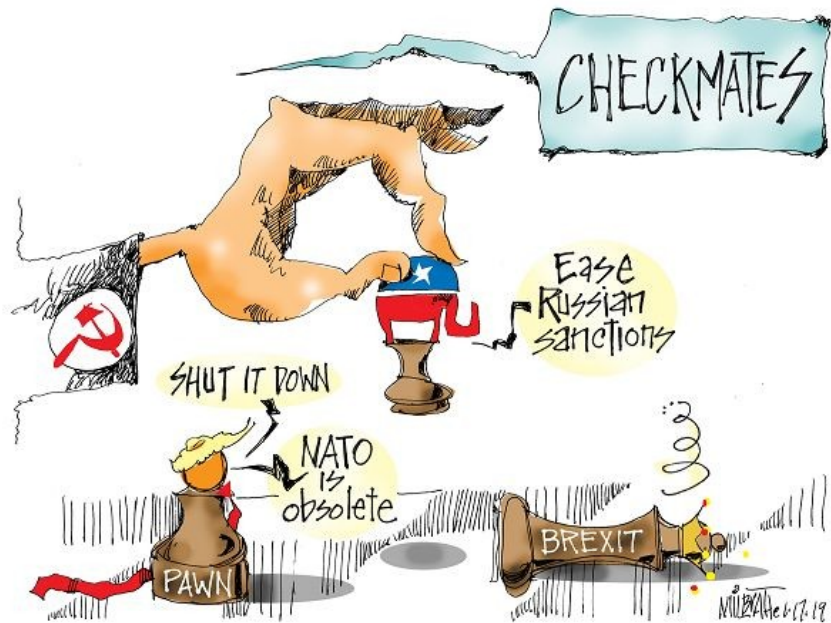
Between the lines

"The two most important beacons of freedom in the world are dimming. And just as the seas become more dangerous when lighthouses go dark, the same is true on the increasingly stormy world stage." - James Hohmann, columnist

<https://www.sfgate.com/news/article/The-Daily-202-From-Brexit-to-NATO-and-the-13538459.php>

Additional resources

- [More by R.J. Matson](https://www.cagle.com/author/r-j-matson/)
- [More by Deb Milbrath](http://editorialcartoonists.com/cartoon/browse.cfm/Milbrath)
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