

The Law Youtube Notes Handout
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The author of _____ was _____.

The Law was written in the year _____.

Bastiat was a French _____ philosopher and _____.

The key theme of his book describes what happens when the law becomes a _____ of those in _____ rather than a _____ to _____ the rights and _____ of individuals.

What is the proper _____ of law?

The law is the _____ of the natural right of lawful _____.

The law should only do what the _____ have a natural right to do: to _____ persons, _____, and _____.

Bastiat promoted a _____ concept of law; in other words, law is to help _____ certain _____.

Bastiat believed that law should not impose a _____ approach with law, like imposing regulation on _____, or a _____ or subject of _____, or insisting on a religious _____ or creed.

Politicians both past and _____ largely favor a _____ conception of law.

Legalized _____:

When a _____ of wealth is _____ from the person who _____ it . . . to anyone who does not own it, . . . an act of _____ (theft) is committed.

Plunder (theft) becomes _____ plunder (theft) when it is undertaken by those who _____ the law.

Two ways to obtain wealth:

1. _____ means: recipient of charity or perform labor to help produce _____
2. _____ means: use force, fraud, or coercion to take _____ from those who obtained them in _____ manner (_____)

Bastiat believed that _____ shows quite clearly that “man is naturally inclined to avoid _____, and since _____ is _____ pain in itself, . . . men will resort to _____ (theft) when _____ plunder is easier than _____.”

How to Stop the Spread of Plunder (Theft)

. . . plunder (theft) must be made more _____ and _____ than _____.

False Philanthropy

Using the law to take from the rich and give to the poor in order to appear generous and caring to others

Bastiat was against _____ or _____ philanthropy but in favor of _____ philanthropy.

Bastiat wrote: “We disapprove of _____ education. Then the socialists say that we are opposed to any _____ . . . it is as if the socialists were to accuse us of not wanting persons to _____ because we do not want the state to raise _____.”

The belief that only big _____ are capable of providing certain _____ arises from a _____ view of humanity.

Bastiat believed that the absurdity of the above view is shown by the following question:

“If the natural tendencies of _____ are so _____, that it is not safe to permit people to be _____, how is it that the tendencies of these _____ (of law) are always _____?”