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TOP FIVE CLICHES LIBERALS USE

"One of the great differences between conservatives and liberals is that conservatives will freely admit that they have an ideology. We're kind of dorks that way, squabbling over old texts like Dungeons and Dragons geeks, wearing ties with pictures of Adam Smith and Edmund Burke on them. But mainstream liberals from Franklin Roosevelt to Barack Obama — and the intellectuals and journalists who love them — often assert that they are simply dispassionate slaves to the facts; they are realists, pragmatists, empiricists. Liberals insist that they live right downtown in the "reality-based community," and if only their Republican opponents weren't so blinded by ideology and stupidity, then they could work with them."Republicans are just as guilty as Democrats when it comes to reducing arguments to bumper stickers. (Rep. Paul Ryan of Wisconsin has written that "the president's economic experiment has failed. It is time to get back to what we know works.") But the vast majority of Republicans, Ryan included, will at least acknowledge their ideological first principles — free markets, limited government, property rights. Liberals are terribly reluctant to do likewise. Instead, they often speak in seemingly harmless cliches that they hope will penetrate our mental defenses."Here are some of the most egregious examples: <http://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/top-five-cliches-liberals-use-to-avoid-real-arguments/>

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