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## Week 2 - President of the United States

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The requirements for anybody to become president of the United States is reasonable.

Does anybody believe that we should modify it in any way?

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Anonymous · 5 days ago 🔗

Yes,

Remove the "natural born" thing. It made sense at the time it was adopted (since the framers wanted to exclude traitors but not themselves) but there is no reason why naturalized Americans are not eligible for higher office. In fact, I am not ever sure if the 14-th amendment by itself invalidates the "natural born" clause.

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I believe the framers wanted to ensure that the United States was not run by the British again. They just went through a war to obtain their independence. I think it really still has a place here. We don't want outsiders telling us how to run things. We have enough of that already. I read about people in other countries getting involved in our political processes when they don't have to live with the results. I don't get involved in their politics, I don't want them involved in mine. So many in foreign countries seem to want to have a say in who we elect as President. I don't want them running as well.

Yes, I would change one qualification. I think the minimum age to run for President should be raised from 35 to 45. People live a lot longer now and grow up and gain experience a lot

slower because of that fact.

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I am not sure that age is a problem. There has never been a president under the age of 42 (when Teddy Roosevelt(#26) assumed office). The youngest elected was Kennedy(#35) at 43. All others were 46 or older.

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I would like to add 1) must have had a real job and 2) must have a full background check.

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