**Don't be an Idiot**

Recall that ancient Greeks coined the word "idiot" to describe citizens who did not participate in democracy.  For this assignment, you will evaluate why voter turnout is considered poor in the United States.

Answer the following questions:

* List as many reasons as you can for low voter turnout.
* How does party affiliation affect voter behavior?
* Some people cannot vote.  Why?
* What is the profile of a citizen who exercises his/her right to vote?
* What are some ideas for increasing voter turnout?
* Visit the [Rock The Vote](http://www.rockthevote.com/home.php) website.
  + What is the mission of the organization?  How long has it been in existence?
  + Identify three significant accomplishments of the organization.
  + What, in your opinion, is their best idea/strategy?  Justify your answer.
  + Offer one recommendation to the organization regarding how they can better achieve their mission.