## Common Core Lessons Blasted for Sneaking Politics into Elementary Classrooms

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Note from Pastor Kevin Lea: Parents beware; the government's Common Core curriculum is going to be used to indoctrinate your children with the liberal agenda.



It's exactly what critics of the Common Core school curriculum warned about: Partisan political statements masquerading as English lessons finding their way into elementary school classrooms.

Teaching materials aligned with the controversial national educational standards ask fifth-graders to edit such sentences as "(The president) makes sure the laws of the country are fair," "The wants of an individual are less important than the well-being of the nation" and "the commands of government officials must be obeyed by all." The sentences, which appear in worksheets published by New Jersey-based Pearson Education, are presented not only for their substance, but also to teach children how to streamline bulky writing.

"We are doing a terrible disservice to this generation and the next if we only present them with one side of the argument and bombard them with ideas contrary to the American ideal." Glyn Wright, Eagle Forum

"Parents should insist on reviewing their children's school assignments," said Glyn Wright, executive director of the Eagle Forum, a think tank that opposes implementation of Common Core. "Many parents will be shocked to find that some 'Common Core-approved' curriculum is full of inappropriate left-wing notions, disinformation, and fails to teach the truth of American exceptionalism and opportunity."

The politically charged lesson appears in a worksheet titled "Hold the Flag High," in which students are taught about Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War. The assignment asks students to make examples of sentences; "less wordy by replacing the underlined words with a possessive noun phrase." They are then presented with a half-dozen sentences describing the job duties of a U.S. president.

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