Class Assignment 1

This assignment is for total of 200 points.

Go to http://people-press.org/typology/ and go to the "Take the Typology Quiz" in center of the page to determines your political ideological viewpoint. Even if you are a student from another country, take the survey and answer the questions as best as you can.

Once you have taken the survey, do the following:

1) Explain where you fit in the various typologies listed by explaining the definition of the typology you were place in. Very important to explain which characteristics listed in your typology that do not represent your views and those which do? (40 points)

2) Explain if you are surprised by the survey results, why and why not. Please elaborate. In doing so reflect on any previous political activity you engaged in that helped you to see yourself in the assessed category? Even having a discussion with family members or friends is considered political engagement (20 points)

3) Where do you believe you got most of your views (which socialization agents)? Socialization agents are things like family members, religious beliefs that define a personal moral code, public school experience, civic groups you may have joined, media, and friends. (40 points)

4)  Read the PowerPoint file “The Political Culture of Texas” and extrapolate from where you were placed on the Pew typology listing and your views about politics (or lack of a view) and the different American political cultures. Explain the political culture(s) that tend(s) to reflect your values and beliefs (individualistic, traditionalistic, moralistic). You may have views or beliefs that straddle more than one of these political cultures so when discussing this question pinpoint the connections between what the Pew survey typology you were placed in and the aspects of the political culture(s) you feel best reflects the paradigm of your world view. (60 points)

Typed all work. It is not necessary to print out your survey results. Give full responses as brief ones tend to result in a lower grade. Your response must be **at least 1100 words** and double spaced.  Do not restate the questions but please mark which question you are answering by placing a numeral before the opening paragraph. Paper is to be done in narrative format. (40 points)