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## Why I read the WSWS

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I have only been reading the WSWS for a little while. Sometimes you believe in something, but don't really see how much until someone opens your eyes and I guess that's what happened with me here. I've always agreed with socialist ideals at heart, stemming from my family really, but I had never really looked into them properly until recently when a friend pushed me towards this website thinking it would be of interest to me. I started reading articles on the WSWS and realised this was what I agreed with and this is what I want to participate in.

Over the last few years I've become extremely disillusioned with my government. Mostly I hate that my choices in voting come down to voting for someone awful or someone a bit less awful. They do not speak for me or anyone working class and it frustrated me that I was seemingly participating in a system that was there to make people feel like they matter, rather than actually benefitting anyone at all. I didn't want to buy into this illusion anymore and I figured there had to be an alternative that I could not only agree with but also actively participate in. Through reading the WSWS and going to some SEP meetings I think I've found that.

Having grown up in an Islamic background (but not being Muslim myself) I have seen firsthand the effect false media campaigns can have via people in my family having to deal with a lot of persecution post 9/11. I've always been looking for a source that was unbiased and trustworthy. WSWS provides me with articles on news that is happening around me but explains the truth of these situations. This is especially important to me when it comes to issues about the Middle East. I am constantly frustrated with news sources ignoring or misreporting stories from there. There is a lot that goes on around me that has confused and annoyed me for so many years and the WSWS has offered clarity, which I really needed.

The website is also helping me get my head around the history of this all. There is a lot to take in, and I want to learn as much as I can so I can start taking part more. I've got to a point in life where I know I want to do something and I want to fight back and without the WSWS I'd not be as focused. As someone who is learning about socialism still, the WSWS is an essential source for me.



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