

Cartoons for the Classroom

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Between the lines

"S&P doesn't know anything that investors don't already know, so the downgrade should not change expectations and interest rates," said Martin Feldstein, Harvard economist and former head of the National Bureau of Economic Research.

"Still, the relative optimism came with a big, fat caveat: It is unprecedented for the U.S. to not have a AAA credit rating."

-- http://money.cnn.com/2011/08/07/markets/stocks_lookahead/
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Additional resources

More by Cam Cardow
<http://www.cagle.com/politicalcartoons/PCcartoons/cam.asp>

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Talking points

1. Cartoonists use symbols to help get their points across in a visual shorthand. Who does the guy in the striped pants represent? Democrats? Republicans? President Obama? U.S. voters?
2. In a sentence or two, what's Cam's point?
3. Is Cam criticizing or supporting U.S. spending habits? How do you know?