## Cartoons for the Classroom &



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## Is 'compromise' a dirty word to some?



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- 1. How do these cartoons use wellknown images to comment about politicians' reactions to the deal to raise the nation's debt ceiling?
- 2. Moderate Republicans and Democrats in Congress joined to pass a compromise on the debt and spending limits. Who voted against the deal?
- 3. Why would some lawmakers risk economic disaster that would happen if the United States hit the debt ceiling and the government stopped paying its bills?
- 4. Do politicians often oppose compromises because of their true beliefs or to show off to supporters on the far right or the far left?

## Between the lines

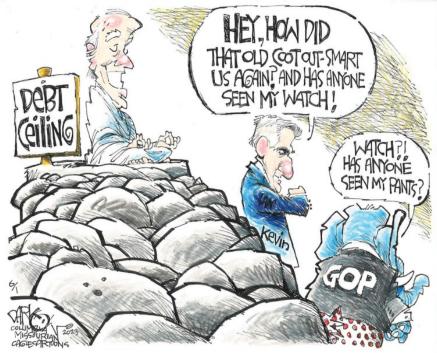
"We can't write Joe Biden a blank check for the rest of his presidency!" - Rep. Jim Banks, R-Ind.

"I can live with a painful compromise, but I can not accept one so lopsided." - Rep. Rosa DeLauro, D-Conn.

https://rollcall.com/2023/06/01/meet-the-housemembers-who-voted-against-the-debt-limit-

## Additional resources

- More by Kevin Siers https://www.cagle.com/author/kevin-siers/
- More by John Darkow https://www.cagle.com/author/john-darkow/
- Editorial Cartoonists http://editorialcartoonists.com/



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