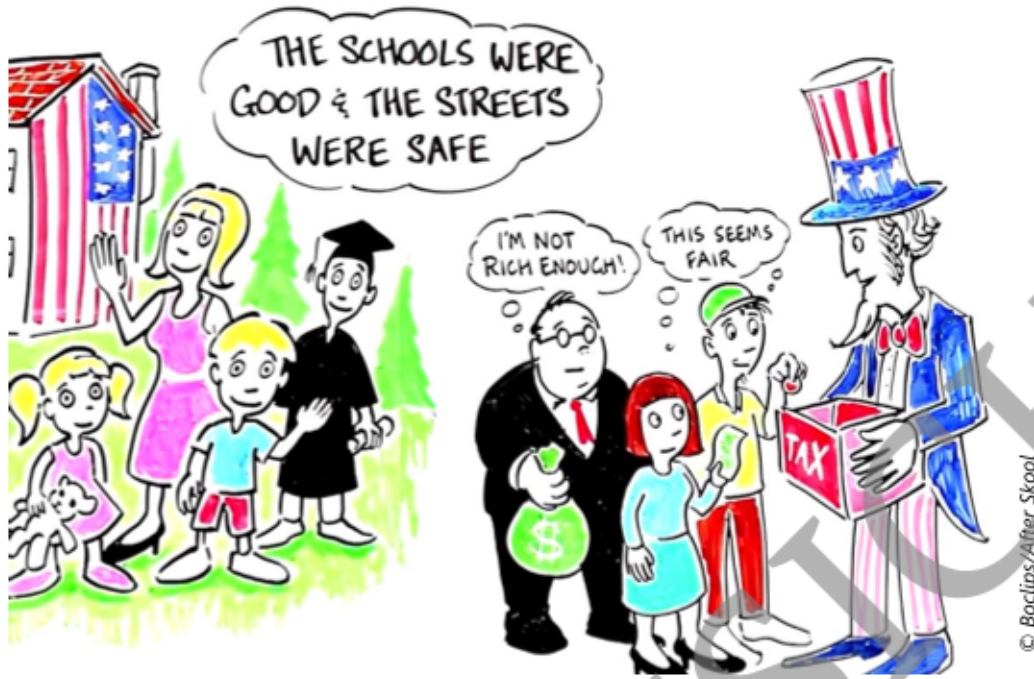


# Video – Unwinding the American Dream

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| <b>Thema/Lehrplananknüpfung:</b> | USA, American Dream vs. reality  |
| <b>Länge des Videos:</b>         | 02:03 min.   |
| <b>Kapitel/Abschnitte:</b>       | 0:00–0:29 min. – The past: healthy and prosperous America<br>/ 0:30–1:21 min. – The turn: the rich grow richer / 0:22<br>2:03 min. –The present: wealth inequality |

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## Unwinding the American Dream – Working with the video

Watch the video and find out more about the development of the wealth gap in the USA.

### Pre-viewing activity

1. Match the words from the video with the correct German translation.

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| prosperous        | durchsickern                               |
| majority          | die Arbeitskräfte                          |
| (to) provide so.  | hier: vermeiden                            |
| tax               | der Teufelskreis                           |
| medium amount     | der Geschäftsführer, die Geschäftsführerin |
| (to) evade        | schützen                                   |
| loophole          | das Wohlstandsgefälle                      |
| tax law           | die Steuer/n                               |
| (to) shelter      | umkehren                                   |
| dirt cheap        | gutgehend                                  |
| work force        | billig wie Dreck                           |
| wealth gap        | das Schlupfloch                            |
| (to) keep in line | jmdn. versorgen                            |
| (to) trickle down | durchschnittlich                           |
| average           | hier: gute Beziehungen aufrecht erhalten   |
| CEO               | das Steuergesetz                           |
| (to) reverse      | die Mehrheit                               |
| vicious cycle     | mittlere Menge                             |