

Antisemitic Stereotypes (Tropes)

Cabal - A small powerful group that seeks to establish control.

- Myth that Jews are a secret group that controls the economic and political world order.
- Labelled the "Jewish cabal".

EXAMPLES:

- Right wing: Charlottesville rally in 2017 - "Jews will not replace us" chant.
- Left wing - Jews represent the evils of capitalism.

Control - Power or authority to guide or manage.

- Myth that Jews control the media, banks, and governments.
- Assertion that Jews are secret puppet masters ruling over others and manipulating the world's economics and governments.
- Belief that Jews lead world leaders into wars.

EXAMPLES:

- Right wing: Candace Owens said "the Jewish people control the media".
- Left wing: The conspiracy that Jews played a disproportionate role in the slave trade and slave ownership.

Greed - Selfish and excessive desire for more of something (such as money) than needed.

- History - Years ago the only jobs allowed for Jews were as money lenders.
- Alleged control over world financial systems for their purposes.
- Reported to cheat friends and neighbors out of a buck.
- Purported to be excessively materialistic and money oriented, exploit others for personal gain and wealth.

EXAMPLES:

- Right wing: George Soros has excessive money to spend on the Jewish agenda.
- Left wing: Ilhan Omar said "It's all about the Benjamins".

Dual loyalty - Loyalty to two separate interests that potentially conflict with each other, leading to a conflict of interest.

- Alleged to be disloyal citizens whose true allegiance is to Israel or a hidden "Jewish agenda"

- Myth that Jews are undermining the country from within.

EXAMPLES:

- Right wing: white supremacist Nick Fuentes, saying that "organized Jewry" holds outsized influence and that Zionism is a "mind virus".
- Left wing: College pro-Palestinian protests questioning Jewish students' allegiance to the U.S. vs. Israel.

Jewish lobby - Jewish interest groups that engage in lobby to seek influence on a particular issue.

- Believed that it is the Israel agenda.
- Assertion that Jews seek to control Washington and the world.

EXAMPLES:

- Right wing: Tucker Carlson on many recent rants about this.
- Left wing: The "squad" has said or insinuated this.

Here is an example that combines many of the above

Protocols of the Elders of Zion - A fraudulent document attributed to Tsarist Russia.

- Jews seek world domination.
- Conspiracy that Jews collaborate clandestinely to use their international influence in the media and economy to take over the world.
- Take over industries, infiltrate governments and use their stranglehold on the media to advance their hidden agenda.
- Scapegoat Jews as the reason for widespread poverty and suffering.

Questions

- How do these intertwine with each other?
- How are these used across the political spectrum (far right, far left and in between)
- Cite examples in Vermont, U.S., and beyond
- Cite personal examples
- How do these make you feel?
- How do you respond to them?