English Reaction to English Civil War and Glorious Revolution

- Thomas Hobbes

- 17th Century
- Political Scientist
 - How governments are created
- o Leviathan
 - Published 1651
 - Thoughts on English Civil War
 - "The War of All Against All"
 - Only avoided by strong central Government
 - State of Nature
 - Period before creation of government
 - People are inherently bad
 - No capacity for self-government
 - Social Contract
 - People give up a little bit of freedom in exchange for safety and stability
 - \circ Justification for Absolutism
 - Man cannot overthrow government because he has accepted the contract
 - Rejects idea of Divine Right

- John Locke

- o 17th Century
 - Later than Hobbes
- o Philosopher
- Two Treatises of Government
 - 1689
 - Response to Glorious Revolution
 - State of Nature
 - Man is Good
 - Man is Responsible, Free, Cooperative
 - Social Contract
 - Man gives power to government not God
 - Governments job is to protect people's rights
 - If not doing that then people **can** overthrow
 - Basic of democratic thought
 - Used in Declaration of Independence
 - Three Rights
 - Life
 - Liberty
 - Property

• Essay Concerning Human Understanding

- 1690
- Empiricist
 - All knowledge comes from experiences and senses
 - To change man you must change his experience
- o Letter Concerning Toleration
 - Calls for separation of church and state
 - Up to man, not state, to choose personal religion
 - Should be a clear line between affairs of state, and of the church



