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**Q1**

I agree with the argument that Charles Murray poses. This is because college education in the old days and particularly the 1900s was reserved for the wealthy. This meant people with low wages could not dream of going to college or studying at a prestigious institution and if you were African American than you would have no chance of entering college premises even. As time passed and more and more people got the chance of attending colleges and with the inclusion of other races into the college system the divide between the people started to decrease (Murray, 2012). This helped in changing the view of the white Americans regarding the different people lived among them and promoted cohesion between the two communities. Furthermore, more and more opportunities were allocated to people who had gotten a college degree as they were considered the best people for their desired field of expertise. This in a way does reflect how white Americans differed from what they were in the 1950s with the ones in this era.

**Q2**

In my opinion, I do not necessarily think that Murray would agree with the fact that the supporters of trump oppose the advancement of globalized culture and economies. This is because Murray argues that the reason people became supporters of Trump was not only because he talked of Making America Great Again but due to his promises to focus on the middle and poor class of white Americans (Murray, 2012). These were the people who had lost jobs and had seen a sharp decline in the labor force. This might seem to some as they oppose globalized culture and economy but the reality is they just want someone to give them a break just as the people of the elite class have been getting for a long time.

**Q3**

By reading Murray's work I have come to an understanding that there is a whole lot of variety between the different criticizers of Trump's presidency. Some people generally criticize trump due to his foolish antics, unethical behavior and a blatant disregard for what is right and wrong in today's world (Murray, 2012). These people have it right to criticize Trump over the outlandish actions he has taken during and even before his tenure as a president. Then some believe that Trump is breaking the status quo of politics by not appealing to the elites but rather focusing on the lower classes. This is also true and was evident when Trump left the White House dinner to attend a rally of his supporters. So the concentration is about the same between these two groups.

**Q4**

The reason that humanity started to build machinery and improve the technology they had through innovation was to lessen the workload on people and make the production process more effective. The sad part is when technology becomes better than the people for whom this was made in the first place, such people have no place in a working environment (Murray, 2012). This is one of the prominent reasons that trump has so many middle and lower class supporters because most of them had been let go of their jobs due to the mechanization of industries. This eventually led to a decrease of representation of White Americans in the labor force.

**Q5**

I would argue that having more commonality and community would be more socially destructive than beneficial for American people (Murray, 2012). One can argue that have a factor of communality within a group of people does give peace to mind as they know people around them understand where their views are coming from. But on the other hand, being in a group with high commonality can be destructive as it limits the thinking of a person up to what the group determines is right or wrong.

**Q6**

After reading the books, I can say that the reason Donald Trump won the Presidency was not because of his charming personality or his eloquent method of speech but rather what he represented. People who had been left behind in the hopes of inclusions and creating a global community came out to voice their opinion (Murray, 2012). People whose views were utterly shunned by the larger community started relating to Trump and people who thought their freedom will be at stake without Trump all came out and supported Trump. As much as one might hate their reasoning for choosing Trump as a leader it does probe people to think what makes a good leader, and what does it require to become the leader for such a great nation.

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