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### 19th Century Isms

The five most important “Isms” of the early 19th century are Conservatism, Classical Liberalism, Nationalism, Utopian Socialism, and Romanticism. Conservatism is the desire to reestablish strong monarchical governments because they believe hereditary monarchs provide stability and regulation. Classical Liberalism is essentially the belief that more people should have a say in government, that the government should be responsive to such people, and that people should have more freedoms. Nationalism is the political and social movement that emphasizes the importance of national identity and cultural unity. Utopian Socialism is the belief that small communities can be created in which people will work for the communal good, to the best of their ability and taking only what they need to survive. Romanticism is about emotion and the power of nature and experiencing the world through feeling, rather than through scientific rationality.