

Leftist Lexicon Word of the Week

Recently, a gunman shot and killed 26 parishioners at a Texas church. Shortly afterwards, the Left swung into action and started making calls for gun control because...reasons. And with these calls came a familiar refrain: ban assault weapons because...reasons. Hey, nobody said the Left were deep thinkers.

Although the call to ban assault weapons has been repeated more often than allegations of Russians hacking the 2016 election, few attempts have been made to actually ban them, and when they have been banned, it has been with mixed results. But there is one question the Left hasn't really answered to anyone's satisfaction but their own: what *is* an assault weapon? I'm glad you asked...or I asked...since the Leftist Lexicon entry for this week revolves around that very question.

assault weapon

What the Left thinks it means – any automatic weapon that shoots bullets at a high rate of speed, thus being able to kill as many innocent people as possible

What it really means – any gun that makes Leftists crap their pants

During the 1990s, Leftists were all about banning assault weapons and with good reason. It hit all the right notes: high emotional appeal with little intellectual investment, and it made them look like they cared about saving children. From there, their fascination and reach expanded to the point they found assault weapons that were scary-looking and could easily be demonized. Now, if you think I'm exaggerating about this, I assure you I'm not. These are the sentiments of those behind

the scenes of the assault weapons ban crowd. Their entire campaign was based around not how lethal a gun was, but how frightening it looked. That would be like determining whether a car was involved in an accident not by its proximity to the accident site, but by how cool it looked.

Like I said, Leftists aren't known for deep thinking.

Since the 1990s, not much has changed in Leftist strategy on assault weapons. They still rely on the emotional appeal to make gains while focusing on the scariest guns they can find. Lately, their focus has been on the AR-15. To the Left, the AR-15 is the Ferrari of firepower, the Maserati of mayhem, the Porsche of...some gun-related word beginning with P. But what does the Left actually know about the AR-15?

As much as Michael Moore knows about weight loss.

For all of the Left's talk of how dangerous the AR-15 is, the fact they overlook is it is merely a tool. As with any tool, it's all about how it's used to determine whether the results are good or evil. A hammer can be used to build a house or bash in someone's skull. And an AR-15 can be used to shoot up a church or prevent a mass shooting from getting worse.

You know, like what happened in Sutherland Springs?

Oh, wait. We're not supposed to know that. Nevermind!

And therein lies the key to the Left's approach to assault weapons: keeping things murky. By playing fast and loose with the facts, the Left can demonize AR-15s and other weapons and the public can be behind those efforts without fear of anyone listening figuring out they're being played. But once you start asking a few questions, you can see through their lies and get to the bottom of their tactics.

With the most recent mass shooting in Texas, Leftists came out and started making all sorts of suggestions on what laws we

needed to curtail the next shooting (because we all know laws always make things better). Yet, a Google search of, oh, a few minutes reveals many of the suggestions the Left made...are already on the books in one form or another. So...that's a little awkward, but at least they mean well, right?

Not so much. When you really think about it, the people pushing assault weapon bans need there to be more mass shootings to keep their narrative going, keep the money flowing into their coffers, and keep people whipped up in a frenzy to have them give up their Constitutional rights (and the rights of everyone else, for that matter) for the illusion of safety. Benjamin Franklin had a famous quotation about this. It was "Screw that. Freedom rules because 'Murca." Wait, that was me. Either way, I'm not willing to toss aside my right to own a weapon because Leftists are scared of an object, especially an object they can't even define what makes that object dangerous. Your fee-fees aren't a good enough reason to ban assault weapons, nor should they be. We need to have cool heads when dealing with a subject like assault weapons because the implications for gun rights, and other rights for that matter, are too important to leave to a whim.