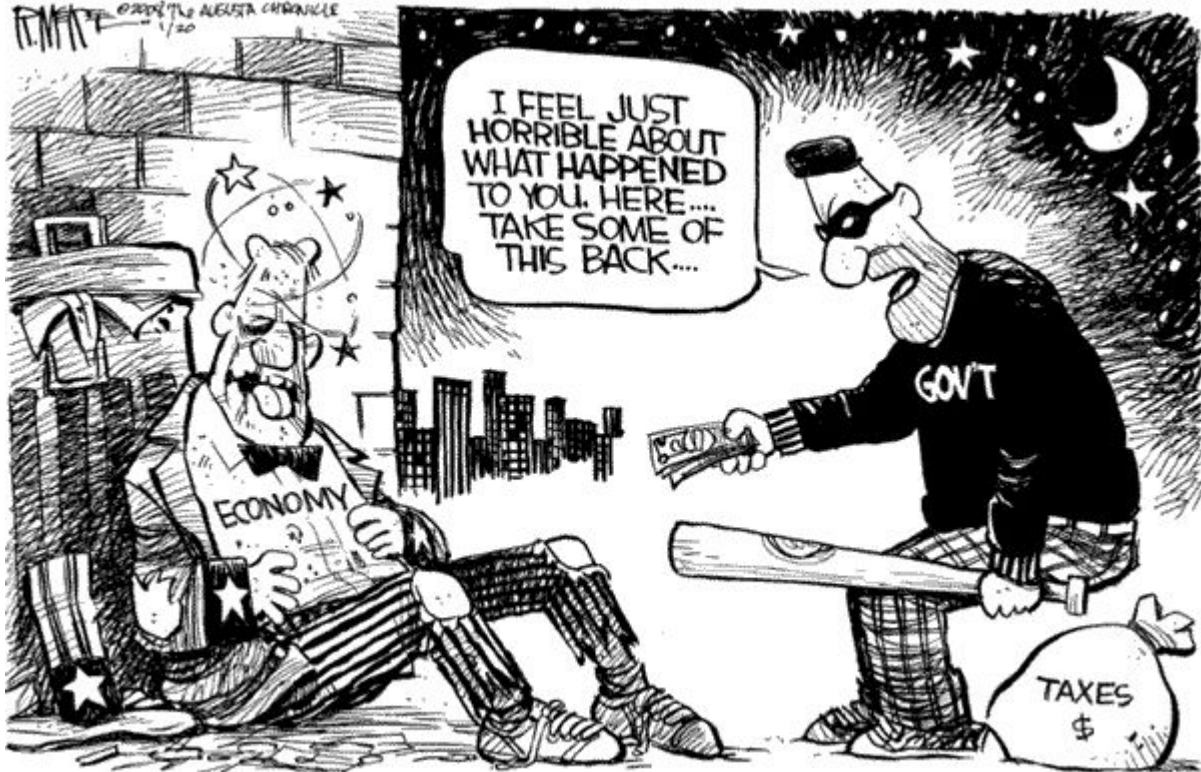


**ECONOMICS
HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS
DUE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2009**

I. Your Economics Contract

Make sure that you and your parent/guardian has signed the contract for this new term. It was due on Friday, February 6th.

II. Cartoon Analysis – The Economy



Answer the following questions using the cartoon above. Attach an extra sheet or use the back of this page, if you need more space.

1. What does the beat-up guy represent? How do you know this?
2. The cartoonist is comparing the government to what kind of person? What in the picture makes you think this?
3. What is the role of taxes in this cartoon? Explain.
4. Name and describe any scarce resources you see in this cartoon. (Hint: There is at least one scarce resource with an important role in the scene.)