

THE WAY I HEARD IT EPISODE 104: THE ONE PERCENTERS

TASK I PRE-LISTENING: VOCABULARY IN THE PODCAST

Make sure you understand the words and expressions in **bold**:

1. Who are **the One Percent**?
2. Do you know someone who's **downright** rich?
3. Have you ever worked in the **mercantile** industry?
4. Do you know your country's **tax code** well?
5. Can you think of a government initiative that **squandered** taxpayers' money?
6. What news has made you **livid** recently?
7. Which of the 21st century world leaders will be a hero in the eyes of all **posterity**?
8. Name a few professions that **put** their lives **on the line**?

TASK II COLLOCATIONS Match the verbs in column A to the words in column B in order to form common collocations and idioms

A	B
to make	a lesson
to keep	a document
to teach somebody	into a room, house, etc.
to draft	track of sth
to be crushed	with despair
to go on	on the lam
to live	the run
to barge	a living

TASK III LISTENING

Go to <http://mikerowe.com/podcast/> and find *Episode 104 : The One Percenters*. Listen to the podcast starting at 3 minutes, 30 seconds (in order to skip the advertising announcement).

- What famous event is discussed in the podcast?
- How far in the podcast did you realise what the actual subject was?
- What else do you know about this event? (eg. when and how is it remembered today ?)
- How important did this event turn out to be?
- Do you have as much admiration for the signatories of the document mentioned in the podcast as the narrator ?