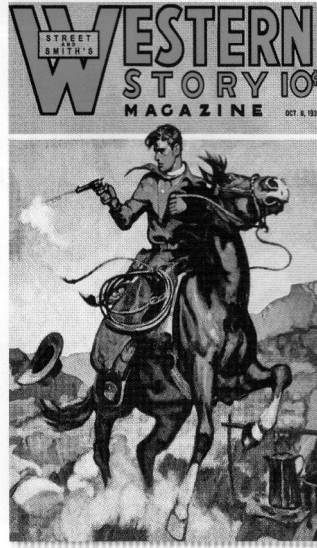


America's frontier tradition is an important reason for Americans' attachment to their guns: when American pioneers moved west to transform the wilderness into a "civilized" region, they had to face danger—everywhere: from the Indians, from wild beasts, and from bandits. They had to defend themselves. Courage and strength, traditional American ideals, were necessary for the survival of America.

These ideals are still very present in modern-day America. Today, almost 50% of households in America have guns, and it is easy to buy—or steal—guns anywhere. Yet, gun use causes injuries, homicides, suicides, and domestic violence. Victims include children playing with loaded weapons, teenagers walking unsafe streets, women in abusive relationships, and adults defending their homes.

People use guns for all sorts of trivial reasons. For example, a 12-year-old boy recently shot his mother following a row over his household chores. Or a man killed his neighbor because he found his dog annoying.



1. Comment on the picture and the frontier tradition it illustrates.
2. What are the traditional American ideals quoted?
3. State the consequences of guns being everywhere.
4. Pick out the two examples of gun use for trivial reasons.
5. Give the equivalents: *espace sauvage* – *force* – *survie* (\$1); *foyer* – *blessures* – *chargées* (\$2); *corvée* (\$3).

**Culture box**

"A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

"The Second Amendment", *Constitution of the United States*

4. Conclusion ?

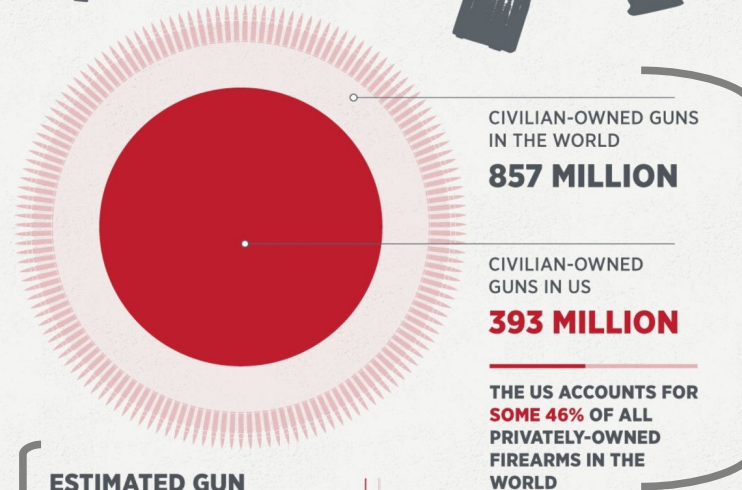
5. Rephrase

1. Rephrase the title

**US only country in the world where civilian guns outnumber people**

America's controversial gun culture is in the spotlight again after Tuesday's mass shooting at a Texas elementary school claimed the lives of 19 children and 2 adults

2. Search for the event mentioned



3. Compare these data : what do you notice ?

ESTIMATED GUN OWNERSHIP IN US  
**120.5 PER 100 PEOPLE**



Four out of every 100,000 people in the US were victims of gun violence in 2019

44% of all suicides by firearms in the world take place in the US

The US is the only developed country where mass shootings are a regular occurrence

Around 44% of American adults live in households with guns

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6. Conclusions ?

7. Rephrase