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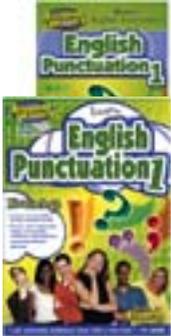
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The Untamed World of English Punctuation

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Running Time: 1 hour, 45 minutes
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(both in 5 to 7 minute segments)

The Standard Deviants: American Government Part Two covers: Congressional Powers, impeachment, incumbency, Speaker of the House, Majority and Minority Leaders, Majority and Minority Whips, The Committee System, How a Bill Becomes a Law, veto power, The Executive Branch, electoral college, The Cabinet, Appeals Courts, The Supreme Court.
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