

# The Tories just don't get equality

Published: January 14, 2026, 7:22 am

---

As the [Guardian](#) puts it:

*George Osborne is accused of 'great train snobbery' after journalist says aide told ticket inspector the chancellor 'could not possibly' sit in standard class but could not pay any extra.*

It is, [yet again](#), a demand to be treated as an elite at cost to the rest of us.

Day after day the Tories prove they believe in the rights of the 1%.