**2020 AP Unit 6: Critiques of Capitalism & Communism**

“Capitalism is the Exploitation of Man by Man;

Under Communism it is the other way around.”

– Soviet Joke

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| Mar. | 2 M  *Lunch* | Review: Kapur, Cassidy, Benjamin, Parker, and Domhof | - |
|  | 3 T  *Late*  *Lunch* | Unit 5 Test – 55 Multiple Choice Questions x 2 points each (100 possible) | - |
|  | 4 W  *Lunch* | Q: Weiss: Marat & de Sade | Read: Marat/Sade (Handout) and *Prepare Study Guide* |
|  | 5 Th  *Lunch* | **Film: Marat/Sade** | Review: Marat/Sade (Handout)  In case you miss the film:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RJc4I6pivqg>  or (if you need tiny subtitles)  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RJc4I6pivqg&feature=youtu.be> |
|  | 6 F  *Lunch* | **Film: Marat/Sade**  Q: Marat/Sade: Who would have said it? (No Notes) | Review Marat/Sade text  **Ex. Cr. Film: Requiem for the American Dream (3:30 – 6:00)** |
|  | 9 M  *Lunch* | \*Q: Class Identity | \*Kwame Anthony Appiah “The Lies that Bind” Ch. 5 – Class pp. 135 – 185 *handout* |
|  | 10 T  *Late Lunch* | •Q: Hegel and Green Capitalism?  Introduction to Hegel, Marx & Engels: Dialectic, Materialism and (Fukuyama’s Interpretation of Hegel’s) The End of History? | Read the Hegel Quotes, then read the Macintosh, then the Mann & Wainwright (137-139 then 99-103), then read the Marx & Engels’ Quotes  •Hegel, Marx & Engels – Quotes & Excerpts (handout)  •David Macintosh, “The End of History and the Last Man by Francis Fukuyama” (a book review) in Philosophy Now (2015) <https://philosophynow.org/issues/106/The_End_of_History_and_the_Last_Man_by_Francis_Fukuyama>  •Mann and Wainwright, Climate Leviathan, (2018) pp. 99 – 103 and  pp. 137 – 139 |
|  | 11 W  *Lunch* | ºQ: Frederick Engels’ 1847 Principles of Communism | ºPrinciples of Communism (Engels) Sections 1 – 25 <http://www.marxists.org/archive/marx/works/1847/11/prin-com.htm> |
|  | 12 Th | **Film: Capitalism** (2014) - Ch. 4 “What if Marx Was Right?” | “Karl Marx” entry by Jonathan Wolff in the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy, Sections 1 (Life & Works), 2.2 (Critique of Hegel’s Philosophy), 2.4 (Theses on Feuerbach) and 5. Morality.  <https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/marx/> |
|  | 13 F  *Rally*  *Lunch* | Q: Exploiting the (Trans-national) Proletariat  **Film: Casino Jack – Treasure Isle**  Review: American Oligarchy, French Revolution, Marxist Communism | Monterroso’s “Mr. Taylor” *in English*: <http://www.scribd.com/doc/98293444/Mr-Taylor-by-Augusto-Monterroso>  …or in the Spanish Original: <https://ciudadseva.com/texto/mister-taylor/>  Angela Nagle, “The Left Case Against Open Borders” in American Affairs (2018) <https://americanaffairsjournal.org/2018/11/the-left-case-against-open-borders/>  **Ex. Cr. After School Film! 3:30 – 6:00**  **“Inequality for All” (2016)** |
|  | 16 M | Teacher Hell Day  \*\*\*NO SCHOOL\*\*\* | §Thomas Picketty:“Intro” to Capital in the 21st Century **(handout)** pp. 1 - 16 |
|  | 17 T  *Lunch* |  | §Thomas Picketty:“Intro” to Capital in the 21st Century **(handout)** pp. 20 - 35 |
|  | 18 W  *Lunch* | \*Q: American Oligarchy | \*Matthew Stewart: The 9.9% is the New American Aristocracy in The Atlantic (June, 2018): <https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2018/06/the-birth-of-a-new-american-aristocracy/559130/> |
|  | 19 Th | •Q: Race and Class  A Marxist Critique of Racial Identity and Exceptionalism | •Cedric Johnson: “The Panthers Can’t Save Us Now” in Catalyst (2016)  (skim the 1st 4 ¶ – focus on the final 3 paragraphs of the Introduction;  skim “The Roots of Black Ethnic Politics”; read “The Movement for Black Lives & the Neoliberal Landscape”, “The Problem with Black Exceptionalism”, & “Building Popular Consensus, Organizing for Power” <https://catalyst-journal.com/vol1/no1/panthers-cant-save-us-cedric-johnson> |
|  | 20 F  *Rally*  *Lunch* | **Film: Inside Job – Intro: Iceland**  ¶Q: Randian “Objectivism” and Just-World Theory | ¶YouTube Viewing: Ayn Rand’s “In Defense of Capitalism”  <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e7CjdJ1QyxI> and  ¶“The Ethics of Altruism” <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=51pMod2Aaso>  (View each at least 2x, take notes & absorb her arguments)  **+**  **¶Ayn Rand Q & A (handout)**  ¶Just-World Theory: “Suffering? You Deserve It!” by Chris Hedges and Avner Offer in TruthDig  <http://www.truthdig.com/report/item/suffering_well_you_deserve_it_20140302> |
|  | 23 M  *Lunch* | \*Q: Bourdieu  Economism, Symbolic Capital, & Poverty | \*Bourdieu Excerpts from The Logic of Practice (handout) |
|  | 24 T | Q: Varoufakis & Rohricht | Varoufakis, A Letter to My Daughter pp. 165-199 |
|  | 25 W  *Lunch* | ¶Q: Commodification of Nature and the Delusion of Infinite Growth  **Are You a (19th c.) Socialist?**  (Forced Choice Exercise)  And… **Review of Unit 6** | ¶ Alyssa Rohricht, “Commodification of Nature” in Counterpunch (2014)  <https://www.counterpunch.org/2014/06/17/commodification-of-nature/>  ¶ Jones, Christopher, “The Delusion and Danger of Infinite Economic Growth” The New Republic, October 1, 2019 <https://newrepublic.com/article/155214/delusion-danger-infinite-economic-growth> |
|  | 26 Th | **Distribute Unit 6 Test:**  12 Quote Identifications + Identify each one, then find agreement with a 1st Semester Philosopher and Disagreement with a 2nd Semester Philosopher | - |
|  | 27 F  *Lunch* | **Unit 6 Debate & Discuss** | - |