

AP SEMINAR  
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Activity 1015 - Marx  
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Name:

Using the excerpt of the Communist Manifesto as your guide, discuss the following questions with your group. Submit written answers as a group. Your group's answers will be compared with the other groups, and the winning group will receive honor and glory.

**Question 1.** Marx and Engels say, "The history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class struggles." What examples do they use to support this statement? In your opinion, has "the history of all past societies" been based on class struggle? Why or why not?

**Question 2.** According to Marx and Engels, in what ways were "class antagonisms" in "modern bourgeois society" different from those in feudal society?

**Question 3.** The *Manifesto* states, “The bourgeoisie, wherever it has got the upper hand, has put an end to all feudal, patriarchal, idyllic relations.” According to Marx and Engels, what had the bourgeoisie replaced these “relations” with? How does this affect the rest of the argument?

**Question 4.** Part II concludes with ten “measures” that apply to advanced countries. Select three of these to discuss. Do you agree with the proposal? Why or why not? Even if desirable, are these ideas practical?