Instructions for Lecture One

Good evening Everyone!

So, for tonight we'll have our first lecture – an introduction to the discipline and an examination of various aspects of politics. We'll also begin our debate over what our *nature* is as human beings. You can organize these lectures to your taste (i.e. doing all the reading first, or some reading and watching of the lecture, videos, whatever's comfortable), but in order to get the most out of the class, I do want you to complete everything associated with the each of the lectures. These are the steps you'll follow to successfully complete these lectures.

Lecture 1. Introduction to Political Theory: The Problem of Power

Task 1: Read these instructions!

Task 2: Read the Introduction in the Hoffman / Graham text, pp. xii – xviii and pp. 1 – 10.

Task 3: Click the link on my website or the Canvas "Modules" page titled "Lecture One Presentation" and watch the lecture for this evening. It stars me, as your intrepid instructor.

Task 4: Read the article for your journal response. You can find the question on the link titled "Lecture / Discussion Page" highlighted in yellow. After completing the response, you will have until the date posted on the assignments page to upload it to Canvas.

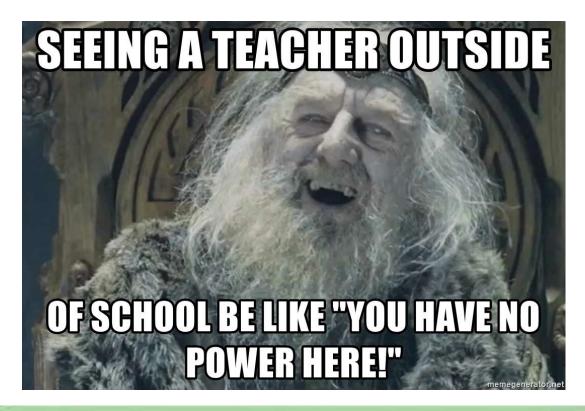
Task 5: Open the link for the video and watch.

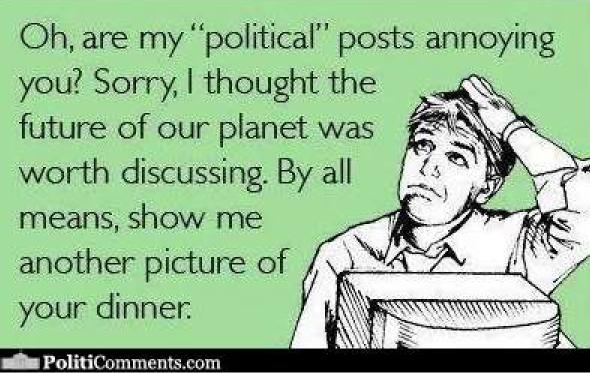
Task 6: On the Canvas "Modules" page down to the link titled "Discussion Board: Lecture One." Then answer the question that I have posted in approximately one to two paragraphs or so. Wait for other students to put their responses and then pick two students to respond to. The deadline for these responses will be posted on the Canvas assignments page. Don't be late....

So people at first it's gonna feel like a lot, and it is. But as we progress and get some of the lectures behind us, you'll develop a rhythm and start to see things mellow out a bit. So don't get frustrated. Just pace yourself. I'll be there either in email or Zoom when you need help.

See you again next week!

Peace out, Kropf



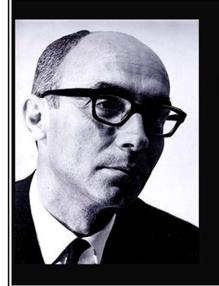


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Introduction to Political Theory and What is Power?

- 1. Introduction pp. xii xviii
- 2. What is Power? pp. 1 10





It is economic power that determines political power, and governments become the political functionaries of economic power.

(José Saramago)

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