

LECTURE / DISCUSSION / DEBATE
ANARCHISM !

Terms and concepts to know:

Philosophical anarchism
Anti-capitalist anarchism
Spanish Civil War
State / government
Mutualism
Social anarchism
Green anarchism

Free market anarchism
Proudhon / Bakunin / Kropotkin
Violence and social movements
Force / constraint
Individualist anarchism
Anarcha-feminism
Anarcho-primitivism

Study and discussion questions:

1. Should those who seek to replace the market with the state be called 'anarchists'?
2. Discuss the proposition that the new social movements like the movement for peace, environmentalism and women's rights embrace part of anarchism rather than anarchism as a whole?
3. What do anarchists understand by 'hierarchy' and does it interfere with the demands of political organization?
4. What do you see as the lessons from the Spanish Civil War? Incorporate your thoughts on the film *Land and Freedom*.
5. Is the notion of a stateless society a mere anarchist fantasy?
6. Explain the basic outline of the Introduction to the AFAQ. Do these anarchists clearly describe the problems (and solutions) within contemporary society?
7. Martin and Pimentel suggest "anarchist principles...be examined as a possible counter to oligarchic rule." Analyze their argument and point out areas of agreement or disagreement you might have with their perspective.
8. Howard Zinn was a famous historian and anarchist. In the interview with Ziga Vodovnik, what does he say that sticks out as interesting and relevant (or the opposite) in the 21st Century?

Readings:

Hoffman and Graham: Chapter 11 and WEB.

Video:

Capitalism (Episode 6) – Karl Polanyi: The Human Factor.