

## Instructions for the September 30, 2020 Lecture

Good evening my citizen-scholars!

So we made it to our last system level theory – postmodernism and feminism (feminist IR theory is subsumed under the umbrella concept of “postmodernism”). This theory relies heavily on the idea of social construction of reality and how it shapes our understanding of the world and the conflicts within it. It’s ultimate goal is to broaden what’s talked about in IR and include voices that are often absent. That sounds good. More voices, more choices I say. See if anything they present rings true for you. All right, here’s the breakout for the week:

### Lecture 6. Postmodernism / Feminism

**Task 1:** Read these instructions (for deep learning).

**Task 2:** Read Chapter 5 of the text.

**Task 3:** Watch the second lecture presentation on the “Postmodernism / Feminism.” Yuck. More instructor yacking. Get me a Red Bull!

**Task 4:** Read the article for your journal response “Feminist Approaches to International Relations Theory in the Post-Cold War Period.” 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 *Her War: Women vs. ISIS*. Who says women can’t be tough?! But does this reality undermine feminist theories of IR in any way?

**Task 6:** Click the link titled “Discussion Board Question and Peer Responses for Video Presentation” and answer the question that I have posted in approximately one paragraph 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....

OK, we are ready to move to our next “level of analysis.” Next week: *state level theories*....

I will see you then,

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