

Capitalism

- What is Capitalism?
 - Economic system based on private ownership of means of production.
 - Operation of business for profit.
 - Owners of wealth make decisions regarding economics.
 - Prices, services, and goods distribution decided by demand and competition.

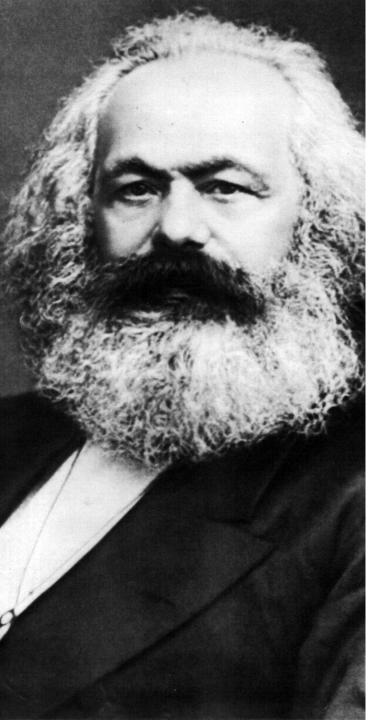
- Rapid Urbanization
 - Cities grew with little planning.
 - Infrastructure couldn't keep up.
 - Cities became dangerous (high crime) and filthy (no sanitation, trash, etc.)
- No protections for workers
 - Low wages
 - Poor conditions in factories
 - Chance of injury and loss of jobs

- New Social Classes
 - Industrial capitalism
 - Industrial middle class
 - those who built the factories, bought the machines, developed markets
 - Industrial working class
 - Wretched working conditions
 - No security of employment

- Early Socialism
 - Socialism = system in which society, usually in the form of the government, owns and controls the means of production
 - Very idealistic
 - Utopian Socialism = people would show natural goodness when in a cooperative environment

Socialism

- System in which society, usually in the form of the government, owns and controls the means of production
- No private ownership.
- Workers control decisions.



Marxism

- Type of Socialism
- Tenets and philosophy outlined in the Communist Manifesto
- Based on theory of a "history of class struggle"
- Violent overthrow of the middle class.
- No more classes (social levels not school classes)
- No one would own means of production.
- Government would be replaced by economic and social cooperation.
- Family and religious institutions dismantled.
- Each individual would find fulfillment.

Communism

- What is Communism?
 - a political theory
 - Extreme form of Socialism
 - Came from Karl Marx
 - Advocates class war
 - Leads to a society in which all property is publicly owned.
 - Each person works and is paid according to their abilities and needs.
 - No political freedom



Communism

- Examples
 - Soviet Union (1922-1991)
 - Massive purges
 - No political freedom
 - Totalitarian
 - Authoritarian
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