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A Guide to The League's Program
WORKBOOK

OUR COUNTRY + THE WORLD STAND AT A CROSSROADS

*The Program of
The League of Revolutionaries
for a New America*

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Our country and the world stand at a crossroads. Humanity has the potential for economic security and abundance. A community of the people, by the people, and for the people, where children can grow in peace, is possible as never before. Or – we do nothing – we face increasingly unlivable conditions caused by private ownership of the wealth that human labor has created. The purpose of the League of Revolutionaries for a New America is to build consciousness and unity among the most impacted workers, to be able to secure the needs of humanity and avoid the destitution and environmental disaster threatening life on our planet as we know it.

As people struggle to survive war, climate catastrophe, poverty, and pandemic, a new fascist state form is arising to crush us – the naked rule of corporate power. It uses the historic American weapon of white supremacy to attack communities of color, divide the working class, and rob the American people of our vote and the limited legal rights we have left. White supremacy is the legacy of the settler colonialism, slavery, land theft, and genocide of indigenous peoples that America was founded on. Fascism resorts to violence to control the working class, even controlling our intimate relationships and our personal identities. Society must replace corporations and financial institutions with publicly owned entities, or else they will continue to fasten their fascist grip over every aspect of our lives.

Today's economic revolution is creating a new class of displaced workers, who must try to find work in a system that no longer needs them. They are part-time, contingent, minimum, and sub-minimum wage or unemployed workers, including vast numbers of refugees, migrants, people of color, women and youth. In the United States, the legacy of slavery ensures that African Americans are at the heart of the growing numbers of this class as it struggles to survive the end of sustainable work. The advent of AI (artificial intelligence) represents a new kind of robotics that is automation without human involvement on an even higher level. The blood-sucking private property system is replacing us with new technologies.

While the productivity of digital technology makes shared well-being possible for all humanity, the private property system is driving workers into destitution and often homelessness and speeds up the extraction that is destroying the earth. The rapidly accelerating extinction event we experience today has created a race between revolution and annihilation.

We have never been here before. Workers being displaced by the market are becoming a revolutionary class, because we have no stake in the system and cannot survive without confronting it. We need food, housing, education, and healthcare. We need an opportunity to contribute to society and to help save the planet. We need freedom from police terror, mass incarceration, and gender oppression. We fight for a government that takes care of people first. Ultimately this requires public ownership of the means to create wealth – the land, infrastructure, and technology – and distribution according to need. The fight for basic needs propels every other social struggle, because none of society's social, moral, or ecological problems can be solved as long as the private property system exists.

This revolutionary class of workers is arising everywhere around the world. Global unity with and among those most impacted by the current crisis is central to the freedom of humanity the world over. We must make every effort to unite in global struggles.

The 2020 rebellions showed that today, whether through words or deeds, masses of socially conscious people are declaring themselves revolutionaries in opposition to the system's poverty, racism, and ecological disaster. The League's mission is to unite with other revolutionaries around the demands of the working class, especially the class of displaced workers, and show how the solution is a cooperative, communist society, where social wealth is owned in common and distributed according to need.

Victory cannot be won without class unity based on exposure and rejection of the white supremacy and hetero-patriarchy so deeply rooted in the structure of the American economy, politics, and history. In the practical struggle, people are uniting from below. The growing equality of misery is forming them into a social force. We rely on this developing practical unity to build conscious political understanding. Victory cannot be won until we gain the political power necessary to defeat fascism and organize the cooperative society we need.

We fight shoulder to shoulder with all social and political organizations and sections of society that seek to put an end to poverty, social and ecological doom, fascism, and war. Without a vision, the people perish. Human beings have proven that they can survive the barbarism of slavery, famine, and world wars, and build a better world out of destruction. History has given the present generation a great mission: to save the world for the future of life on earth.

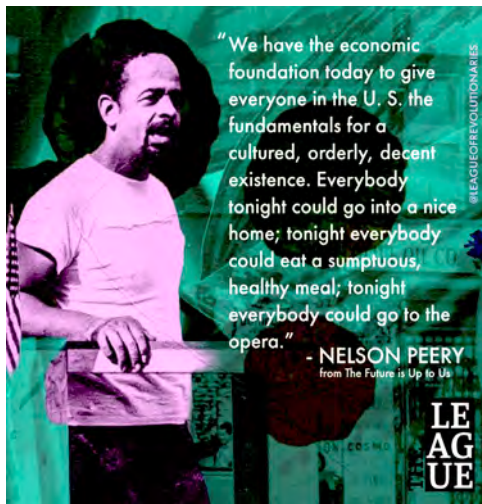
The battle is a class struggle because the ruling class is the enemy of humanity and the earth itself. The program of the workers who are being displaced is showing the way. We in the League welcome and will join with every effort to unite around the demands of the revolutionary class and secure the imperiled future of life on earth.



The League of Revolutionaries for a New America joins other revolutionaries who challenge the ruling class on the immorality of its ruthless devastation of the earth + life. We are a multiracial + multigenerational + multigender working class organization dedicated to revolutionary education + struggle. We trace injustice to the capitalist system and seek to show how society's problems can be solved when it is reorganized along cooperative lines. Society must be reorganized so that the abundance made possible by science + technology benefits all — a society that puts humanity + nature above profits.

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Part I: Consciousness

What is happening?

Our country and the world stand at a crossroads. Humanity has the potential for economic security and abundance. ... Or, if we do nothing—we face increasingly unlivable conditions caused by private ownership of the wealth that human labor has created.

Explore	Create	Analyze
“What do you think about this statement? “There is an abundance of resources available to survive”	Draw something that describes the world as it is versus how it ought to be or could be.	How do you think about your role in navigating the crossroads of abundance versus destitution?

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Key Concepts

Crossroads	Abundance	Private Ownership of Wealth

Part I: Consciousness

What is happening?

As people struggle to survive war, climate catastrophe, poverty, and pandemic, a new fascist state form is arising to crush us – the naked rule of corporate power.

Fascism resorts to violence to control the working class, even controlling our intimate relationships and our personal identities.

Explore	Create	Analyze
Do you think that the continued killing of blacks after the BLM (2020) movement is a form of fascism? Explain.	Create a list of words or images that represent “control” of people, intimate relationships, and personal identities.	How is fascism embedded into our national policies, intimate relationships, and personal identities?

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Key Concepts

Fascism	Working Class	Corporate Power

Part I: Consciousness

What is happening?

"Settle your quarrels, come together, understand the reality of our situation, understand that fascism is already here, that people are already dying who could be saved, that generations more will live poor butchered half-lives if you fail to act. Do what must be done, discover your humanity and your love in revolution."

- GEORGE L. JACKSON

It [fascism] uses the historic American weapon of white supremacy to attack communities of color, divide the working class, and rob the American people of our vote and the limited legal rights we have left.

Explore	Create	Analyze
Black history is being extracted and omitted. Why? Who benefits?	Reflect on what a "weapon" is and draw images or describe traits that capture the idea of a weapon.	How is white supremacy used as a tool to systematically divide us and prevent revolutionary unity?

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Key Concepts

White Supremacy	Communities of Color	(Limited) Legal Rights

Part I: Consciousness

What is happening?



The rapidly accelerating extinction event we experience today has created a race between revolution and annihilation.

Explore	Create	Analyze
Is the climate crisis affecting you? How?	Write a poem or song from the perspective of Earth, who is experiencing extinction events and climate change.	How has climate change sped up our need for revolution and affected our movement strategies?

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Key Concepts

Extinction Event	Annihilation	Revolution

Part I: Consciousness

Why is this happening?

Today's economic revolution is creating a new class of displaced workers, who must try to find work in a system that no longer needs them.

Explore	Create	Analyze
Have you noticed technology replacing workers? Where? How?	Draw a banner or create a phrase that would help displaced workers see themselves as a united class.	How has this new era of technology altered our system so that workers are increasingly disposable?

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Key Concepts

Economic Revolution	Displaced Workers	System

Part I: Consciousness

Why is this happening?

The advent of AI (artificial intelligence) represents a new kind of robotics, that is automation without human involvement on an even higher level.

Explore	Create	Analyze
Have you experienced AI in your life and how has it had an impact on how you live? Examples?	Write a short story or comic strip (fiction or true story) that describes a situation where AI has replaced human workers.	How is AI being used as a tool to oppress workers?

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Key Concepts

Artificial Intelligence	Automation	Robotics

Part I: Consciousness

Why is this happening?

In the United States, the legacy of slavery ensures that African Americans are at the heart of the growing numbers of this dispossessed class as it struggles to survive the end of sustainable work.

Explore	Create	Analyze
<p>Is the lack of affordable housing an example of dispossession? Explain.</p> <p>What are other ways that we experience dispossession?</p>	<p>Draw a mind map (a diagram that visually organizes information) that connects the legacy of plantation slavery to contemporary conditions for African Americans.</p>	<p>How has the legacy of intertwining race and class oppressions shaped the demographics of the contemporary displaced class?</p> <p>Examine additional intersecting oppressions.</p>

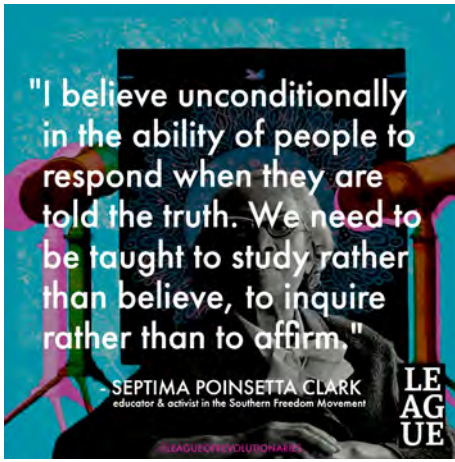
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Key Concepts

Dispossession	Sustainable Work	Legacy of Slavery



Part I: Consciousness

Why is this happening?

We have never been here before. Workers being displaced by the market are becoming a revolutionary class because we have no stake in the system and cannot survive without confronting it.

Explore	Create	Analyze
Do you believe that there is a revolutionary class forming? Agree? Disagree? Explain.	Reflect on how you feel in different spaces of confrontation, consider the pros and cons of confrontation. Sketch or write on this reflection.	How can this <i>new</i> displacement from the system be harnessed as an urgent motivator to form a revolutionary class?

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Key Concepts

Revolutionary Class	Market System	Survival

Part II: Vision

While the productivity of digital technology makes shared well-being possible for all humanity the private property system is driving workers into destitution and speeds up the extraction that is destroying the earth.

Explore	Create	Analyze
<p>What is the private property system?</p>	<p>Imagine you are in the future where well-being is possible for all and then write a letter to someone from today that describes what this future looks like/feels like.</p>	<p>How can we change the relationship between technology and climate change so it can be one that supports the earth, rather than one that destroys it?</p> <p>How can technology be used to create a unified revolutionary class?</p>

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Key Concepts

Shared Well-Being	Private Property System	Digital Technology

Part II: Vision

The fight for basic needs propels every other social struggle, because none of society's social, moral, or ecological problems can be solved as long as the private property system exists.

Explore	Create	Analyze
Which struggle can you most relate to? How does it impact you personally?	Describe a situation where you felt joy in a community/shared space and contrast that with your experiences living in the capitalist private property system.	How is the private property system built upon the theft of basic needs from the working class?

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Key Concepts

Basic Needs	Social Struggle	Fight

Part II: Vision



The League's mission is to unite with other revolutionaries around the demands of the working class, especially the class of displaced workers, and show how the solution is a cooperative, communist society, where social wealth is owned in common and distributed according to need.

Explore	Create	Analyze
What is a cooperative and communist society?	Brainstorm a list of things that you think people would receive, according to need. Draw or write.	How might your personal goals and worldview shift if society was cooperative, instead of competitive, and supportive, instead of extractive?

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Key Concepts

Mission	Communist Society	Social Wealth

Part III: Strategy

In the practical struggle, people are uniting from below. The growing equality of misery is forming them into a social force. We rely on this developing practical unity to build conscious political understanding.

Explore	Create	Analyze
What does it mean to unite as a social force?	Draw an image that represents unity, cohesion, and/or understanding.	How are political motivations and class consciousness related? What forms of shared grief and suffering can we use to show people how they are united as a class?

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Key Concepts

Practical Unity	Social Force	Conscious Political Understanding

Part III: Strategy

Victory cannot be won without class unity based on exposure and rejection of the white supremacy and hetero-patriarchy so deeply rooted in the structure of the American economy, politics, and history.

Explore	Create	Analyze
Have you seen any examples of this type of class unity? Explain.	Envision a constitution that wasn't written by White men who were plantation owners. What do you think this constitution and our society would have looked like instead?	<p>How does WS and HP uphold class divisions?</p> <p>How can a movement be based on class unity and simultaneously recognize intersectional oppressions and privileges?</p>

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Key Concepts

Class Unity	Divide the Working Class	Hetero-Patriarchy

Part III: Strategy

The battle is a class struggle because the ruling class is the enemy of humanity and the earth itself.

Explore	Create	Analyze
What does class struggle mean to you?	Reflect on your class status and what opportunities and lack of opportunities you faced because of your class status. Draw or write.	What practices and policies guide the ruling class that lead to the destruction of humanity and earth? If the ruling class is the enemy, then how do we think about the individuals who are members of the ruling class?

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Key Concepts

Ruling Class	Humanity	Class Struggle

Part III: Strategy



The purpose of the League of Revolutionaries for a New America is to build consciousness and unity among the most impacted workers, to be able to secure the needs of humanity and avoid the destitution and environmental disaster threatening life on our planet as we know it.

Explore	Create	Analyze
What is class unity? How would you be able to identify it?	Write some affirmations that revolutionaries and members of the League could use to remind ourselves of our purpose.	Why is the fundamental purpose of the League to build consciousness and unity? How can a class movement lead to securing the needs of humanity?

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