**Marx: The Communist Manifesto**

1. Class War and Oppression as the Basis of All Society Down to the Present
2. Forms of Class Structure and Hierarchy
   1. Feudalism
   2. Capitalism
   3. Socialism🡪Communism
   4. (Asiatic and Classical Slavery)
3. Economic Basis of Social Organization
   1. Modes of Production, Relations of Production, and Means of Production
   2. Division of Labor
4. The Revolutionary Nature of Capitalism
   1. Global markets
   2. Subversion of Sovereignty
   3. Unification of Humanity
   4. Technology and Industry, Communication and Transporation
5. The State as the Executive Power of the Ruling Class
   1. Politics as Ideology
   2. Ideology as Class Interest
6. Simplification of Class Antagonism
   1. Reduction of the middle to the extremes of wealth and poverty
   2. Capital and Labor
7. Hollowing Out of All Traditional Human Relations (e.g., Marriage, Family).

**Tocqueville: Democracy in America**

1. Key Ideas:
   1. Equality of Conditions
      1. Vocational Choice and the Right of Ambition
      2. Equality of Conditions as Ideal and as Reality
      3. History of Equality in Europe: Papacy to the Present
      4. The Democratic Idea in Europe and in America
      5. Inequality versus Rank
      6. The Sameness of Human Beings
   2. Twin Origins of American Democracy
      1. Jamestown
      2. Plymouth
   3. Omnipotence and Tyranny of the Majority
   4. Aristocratic Man and Democratic Man
   5. Individualism versus Egoism
   6. The Rise of Central Power
   7. Tutelary Despotism
2. The Matriarchal Character of Democracy
3. The Unity of the Race and the Divisions of Social Order
4. The Ethics of Envy
5. The Despotism of Mildness