The Communist Manifesto Reading

Directions: Please read the following excerpts of the <u>Communist Manifesto</u> and answer the following questions on loose leaf paper and turn in.

- 1. Who is the bourgeoisie? Who is the proletariat? How do they interact in capitalist society? What is the role of capital in society? Of labor?
- 2. What are the objectives of communism?
- 3. What is the authors' conception of a socialist state? How does this state compare to the United States government today?
- 4. The two most famous quotes from this influential book are:"A specter is haunting Europe—the specter of Communism" and
 - "The proletarians have nothing to lose but their chains. They have a world to win. Workingmen of all countries, unite!" Choose one of the quotations and explain what the authors mean. Why do you think people have focused on these quotes?



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