

RM 2-10 Primary Source: Marx on Revolutionary Socialism

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Provide a brief explanation of Marx's program for revolutionary socialism:

QUESTIONS

1. What key points of a command economy can you see in the Marxist program?

2. With which parts of Marx's program do you agree and disagree? Explain why.

3. Some critics see Marx's claim that "despotic inroads" are necessary only in the early stages of the revolution as politically naïve. Once a dictatorship is firmly in place, is a return to democracy realistic? Explain your views and cite historical examples to support your position.