# Junior Politics Writing

Course website:

www.omnifoo.info/pages/PSWritingOnline.html

Session 1: Course introduction

- \*Course administration
- \*Catch up on news since Jan.
- \*Course materials: Bring a notebook to every session.
- Use the reading & writing glossaries.
- \*You will have (usually short) writing homework after each session of class.
- You will share your homework with a partner in class at the beginning of each session, before the dictation.
- \*Dictation instructions & first dictation. (Write in your notebook. Listen 3x to two sentences, take a picture & send it to me on DingTalk. We'll correct it in the next session. These serve as your daily grade & will improve your writing quickly and effectively.)

#### NAME

Dictation 1: 3-9

1.-----

- \*Language skills & our second/final course.
  - \*Build\*
- The alphabet is made of 26 letters.
- Letters build syllables. Syllable vs. sealable
- Syllables build words. Words build phrases.
- Phrases build clauses. Clauses build sentences.
- Sentences build paragraphs.
- Paragraphs build sections of essays, articles, etc.
- Sections made of paragraphs also build chapters of a book.
- A clause that is NOT a sentence: Because I am hungry. (an INCOMPLETE sentence)

  Because I am hungry, I will go eat.
- \*Extend a Sentence
- \*Next session (Tues.): Run-on sentences, Correct examples of your writing from the first assignment. We will not meet as a group on Thurs. I will meet

with you 1-on-1 about your vacation story (2-3 paragraphs).

HOMEWORK: Answer the poll questions about what you want to do in this course. Submit your vacation story by Thurs. if you haven't yet. Schedule an appointment to talk with me about your vacation story (2-3 paragraphs).

Session 2 (3-16)

\*News: Talk show host Bill Maher says, "U.S. has already lost to China." I will send you the video. Beijing and north China are experiencing the worst dust storm in a decade.

Myanmar junta has killed nearly 200 protesters, protesters have set Chinese factories on fire.

- \*Dictation 2 (& correct Dictation 1...High= 98, Low= 90, many perfect. Only Arno got #2 perfect.)
  Dictation 2 (3-16)
- 2.

- \*Feedback from 1-on-1 meetings & polls: small group work, homework load, course structure. The course website/syllabus should be ready soon.
- \*Extend a Sentence "Game"
- Shanice said, "I don't think he really smells because he often takes a bath, and I don't hate him very much, so he is my best friend." (run-on sentence)
- \*Sentence Structure handout
- Session 3 (3-18)
- \*News: British gov't describes Russia as the #1 regional threat and will build more nuclear weapons Pres. Biden said NY Gov. Cuomo should resign over sexual harassment accusations.
- Burma's capital is like a "Warzone".
- A white man in Atlanta, GA, USA, has shot and killed eight people, six of whom are Asian-American

women.

- \*Review
- \*Share homework (four kinds of sentences).
- \*Dictation 3 (& correct Dictation 2: High= 100,
- Low=82, many perfect.)
- Dictation 3 3-18

handout.

- \*Finish Sentence Structure handout
- HOMEWORK: In your notebooks, use the past participles 过去分词 of verbs to write three sentences about how you wish the winter vacation had gone differently (Express regrets). Use the form "I wish I had/hadn't 过去分词 (so much/so little) during vacation." You are encouraged to combine the three sentences into one as a "list sentence" described in the
- Next session (Tues.): Correction Marks, "Chinglish

- \*News: Anchorage, Alaska, meeting between Chinese and U.S. officials was held and went as expected, with lots of conflict and confrontation, little promise of cooperation.
- NYC & Washington D.C. Held protests against anti-Asian-American violence and discrimination.
- An Asian-American mother was shot dead in CA, may have been racially motivated. What is a "hate crime"? Breaking any law has penalties and punishments, but in the USA, if a crime is found to be racially motivated, it is called a "hate crime" and carries heavier punishments.
- The Russian Ambassador was recalled to Moscow, in response to Biden's remarks about Putin being "a killer" and Biden's criticism of election interference. The Tatmadaw in Burma have now killed over 250
- The Tatmadaw in Burma have now killed over 250 citizens protesting against the coup, now raiding people's houses at night.

- \*Share homework: combining sentences (from handout). Present examples. Policy for turning in homework via DingTalk: only required when I will personally grade it.
- \*Dictation (Correct your own in a different color. 1.
- PERFECT: Jane, Sophia, Nee, Arno 2. PERFECT:
- Raymond, Chiara.)
- 3-23

- \*Correction/Editing Marks...
- Since the 20<sup>th</sup> century, it's perfectly OK for a woman to wear (pantaloons, pants, trousers, slacks, drawers, britches, breeches, jeans).
- The USA has no credibility to talk about human rights. In fact, America is the biggest human rights abuser in the world.
- Pres. Biden called Vladimir Putin "a killer," and he responded in kind. The cat ate a fish and it died.
- My hometown is very small. It's just an everyday rural community. You can see cows crossing the road every day.
- \*What is Chinglish? Is it OK? Can it be avoided?
- \*Chinglish Elimination Exercise (based on Winter

- Vacation stories). Send your corrected sentence (without changing the meaning) to the class via DingTalk. (Two work in pairs...Do not correct a sentence from your own story.)
- 1. My mother thought look at a child is very tired.
- 2. In January, the COVID-19 became serious in Hebei province, where become the medium-high risk area in China.
- 3. It made me not only think more deeply about nationalism, but learn to think questions from different perspectives by listening to others' speeches during this discussion.
- 4. This year is the 100 years history anniversary of the CCP foundation.
  - The girl in the film is plain with poor performance in the school, and often criticized by her teachers for causing troubles.
  - 6. The last time that we climbed mountain

- was went to the Mount Qingcheng.
- 7. In the morning, I and my family together put up a banner, post a good blessing word.
- 8. I don't have a long journey with my family (for the pandemic), I have not learn something new and even not try a fresh matter.
  - 9. My mom, who likes homely food and square dancing, is easily to be satisfied.
- 10. Young, Chinese children always says, "I do nothing in my vacation!" And I had to write "interesting things" like enjoy dinner, go to park with parents.
- \*Homework: Conditional & Subjunctive tenses practice. Take your three sentences, and write three more about what would have been different if you had done things differently during the vacation. (i.e. If I had written my book manuscript, I could be looking for a publisher and have submitted it for publication somewhere.) Read handouts on Basic Political Terms

and Basic Political Geography, which we'll discuss in Thursday's session. Send your topic preferences to me if you still haven't. Claim one of the ten Chinglish sentences and correct it for Thurs. (Send your correction to the class in DingTalk.)

### 3-25

order" in 2020 during the pandemic, according to State Council Information Office in China. China's FM met w/ Russia's FM, discussing regional issues, the U.S. (calling for an end to interference in "internal affairs" of other countries), and individual

\*News. The U.S. gov't "failed to maintain law &

- countries. Calling for less int'l use of the USD could affect U.S. interest rates and the country's ability to borrow money to run budget deficits.
- Boycotts of Nike & HM have resulted from their stopping use of Xinjiang cotton. Raymond calls it an "unprovoked smear" of China. Nee says these decisions are financially unwise for their brands. BCI (Better Cotton Initiative, a Western NGO) is behind these decisions?
- Boulder, CO, mass shooting killed 10 in a grocery store, including a police officer.

- \*Share Conditional/Subjunctive sentences homework.
- \*Dictation ( 2. PERFECT: Nee)
- 3-25
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- \*"Chinglish Elimination" sentences in chat window.
- \*Handout: "Basic Terms in Politics for Chinese Learners"
- \*The relationship/process between politicians, public administrators, and public policy. What does each do?
- \*Write and share a sentence which uses all three parts of speech and concepts: govern, government, governance. For an extra challenge, add "governor."
- HOMEWORK: Write one paragraph (at least three related sentences), and turn it in via DingTalk to be graded. In your opinion and understanding of the terms, what are the differences, if any, between having a president or a dictator as the head of state? How important (or unimportant) do you think the

differences are? Include at least one historical example of each in your analysis. Read the handout on political geography.

- \*News: Shootings in Philadelphia of two boys call attention to U.S. human rights? Is this unusual? U.S. Trade Representative Office announced the U.S. will suspend all trade with Myanmar (Burma). The military has killed over 450 citizens, nearly one hundred in one day over the weekend on a military holiday. Russia has affirmed its strong support of the junta.
- Senior diplomats from Beijing and Iran have made a joint statement criticizing unilateral sanctions on Iran. Benefits (what one gets as a result of something) vs.
- Interests (pursued by states)
- 106+ million vaccines have been administered across China (China presumably has less "vaccine hesitance" than in the USA...in the USA many, perhaps half of Republican men and many others do not want to get the vaccine and won't voluntarily get it.)

- \*Share your homework (I'll correct & return it by next Tues.)
- \*Dictation (1. PERFECT: Raymond, Helen) we'll wheel Vs. will bold vs. bad (kinds of claims, things we 认为) a country's record (on sth.) I have no criminal record.
- 3-30
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- \*Finish Basic Political Terms handout
- Dictators have "absolute power." Are all dictators bad? A "good" dictator: Cromwell? We call dictators who do care about the people and try their best to help them "benevolent dictators."
- \*The relationship/process between politicians, public administrators, and public policy. What does each do? Who makes policy? Politicians debate and make policy and send them to public administrators/gov't officials/public servants (low level/street level = "where the rubber hits the road").

What do public administrators do to policy? They implement/enact policy or "put policies into place". They also enforce policy.

HOMEWORK: write a SHORT paragraph about your favorite dynasty from Chinese history, the one that is most interesting to you. Give some reasons why it is your favorite/interesting to you. You do not have to send this to me, but I may ask you in class which

one you wrote about.

- \*News: Origin tracing of Covid-19 report was released by the WHO, in coordination with Chinese scientists. An intermediate host (such as a bat or other animal) is very likely, while a lab leak is very unlikely.
- Gunshots around the presidential palace were heard at night, and there was an attempted (failed) coup in Niger.
- Standing Committee of NPC adopted changes to the Basic Law in HK, increasing the number of delegates. Patriotism is required.
- Japanese unemployment has increased in the past year. If the Olympics are held as scheduled, foreigners will not be allowed to attend, most are demanding a refund for the tickets they have

- purchased. Countries whose economies are reliant on tourism have all been hurt seriously.
- Classification of Chinese learners for the language test has been standardized, may one day be required.
- \*Share homework, tell us what your favorite Chinese dynasty is and why. What is a "conquest dynasty" 征服王朝? Sinification/Sinicization 汉化
- \*Dictation (1. PERFECT: Nee, Jane 2. PERFECT: Arno, Chiara, Shanice, Raymond, Jane, Sophia, Grace, Judy)
- \*Regimes, Administrations, Dynasties. Why does the regime not change in the USA with a new administration?
- 4-6. The course website & syllabus (still a work in progress) may be found at:
- www.omnifoo.info/pages/PSWritingOnline.html
- \*News: Two small children from Ecuador were dragged over the border wall at New Mexico. Biden suspended construction Trump's border wall.

- What are the policy options for dealing with the border crisis? One possibility is amnesty (legal residence for all who have crossed in since the last amnesty), paths to citizenship, deportation after a period of detention. Vice President Harris has been put in charge of the Mexican border. Comprehensive immigration reform is needed, but it will require bipartisan support.
- Many U.S. citizens are living as if the pandemic is over, though cases are again growing. 100,000 cases/day in India.
- On Apr. 3<sup>rd</sup>, ethnic insurgent groups criticized the military for using live ammunition, may unite with protesters against the junta (could lead to full civil war). Cellular data and internet services have been cut off.
- \*Share homework with a partner, then discuss your opinions. Let me know if you'd like a session (readings) on term limits.
- \*Dictation
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- \*Basic Political Geography handout What are your topical & regional interests in your major?
- For example: My research interests are in comparative politics (subfield), specifically nationalism, the media, democratization, etc. in the

- regions of East and Southeast Asia, especially China. Write yours in your notebook. What regions do not interest you?
- \*Chinglish Elimination Exercise 2 (again, choose 1 sentence that's not from your homework to edit without changing the meaning)
  - 1. That is why China has put forward the "One Belt And One Road" initiative, calling on the international community to build a community with a shared future for mankind.
  - 2. The state with superpower exerts power over other states and changes their behavior, the exertion is for its own national interests.
  - 3. The era of globalization has come along with the interconnection of sovereignty states through internet.
  - 4. The rising power of China deeply change its relation with US which shapes the whole global structure.

- 5. After WWII, many non-state actors had been risen and played role in international affairs.
- When China was under Covid-19 in 2020, the import and export trade of various countries in the world is therefore affected to varying degrees.
- 7. It can be seen that the western liberal democracy is not an irrefutable truth.
- 8. Finally, as far as the governance results of the two are concerned, the president came to power through legal procedures, so the legitimacy is strong, regardless of whether it will promote the development of the domestic economy, but at least there will be no major turmoil, the dictators lack of legitimacy, therefore, it's likely to cause people's dissatisfaction to a large extent, and trigger social unrest.
- 9. In order to consolidate the power to use power, which is the dictator's principles.

- 10. Most of the dictator obtain the power by the violence, such as the Franco of Spain.
- 11. I think this idea opens up new ideas for my thinking.
- 12. The president will formulate policies for the interests of the people, and dictators will suppress the people and launch riots because of their own interests.
- 13. Presidential power is limited; dictator's power have no limitations. They have absolute powers.

HOMEWORK: Choose a sentence to edit on DingTalk (& tell me which one you choose). Revisit articles on women leaders and their possibly better response to Covid-19. Try to read the academic article by Garikipati & Kambhampati and the handout on reading academic articles. Write a few sentences about what you do and don't understand about their article and whether you want to read more academic articles this semester or not (and why). Last semester

your class was not convinced that female leaders did better. Is their academic article more convincing to you? Why/why not?

- \*News: Vladimir Putin may remain in power until 2036, which would be a longer rule than Stalin. Putin is now 68 and would be 84 by 2036. It is designed to "give him the flexibility he needs for his political future" In the past, he had to step down for Pres. Medvedyev.
- Unilateral sanctions on North Korea will expire, but launches of missiles will likely cause them to be reinstated for two more years.
- U.S. Navy says the U.S.S. John McCain will cruise the Taiwan Strait, Chinese ships will conduct regular drills. "USA is committed to the free and open navigation of the Indo-Pacific" China firmly opposes U.S. actions.
- Thailand's tourism officials say vaccinated travelers may soon be allowed to visit Phuket, including incentives like free and heavily discounted flights,

- starting in July.
- China and South Korea (RoK) foreign ministers met, will mark the anniversary of diplomatic relations, pledge to cooperate on int'l & regional issues.
- Western news has focused on the cancellation of a Korean soap opera which is said to follow China's interpretation of Korean history.
- Chinese and Australian representatives exchanged views on Xinjiang on Wed.
- \*Share homework or not?
- \*Dictation
- \*Discuss your edited sentences (Chinglish elimination exercise 2)
- \*Handout on academic articles & the academic article(s) on women leadership
- \*For Tues., give your conclusions about the connection between women leaders and better initial responses to Covid-19 in one paragraph, and quote directly either the original two articles from The Conversation or Wired Magazine, or the academic

article. When quoting something directly, use quotation marks "". We'll work on quotations in Tuesday's session.

4-13

\*News: The Japanese gov't decided to discharge a nuclear part from the Fukushima Daichi reactor (damaged in the 2011 earthquake) into the sea.

Foreign minister says Japan should act responsibly with regard to its own citizens and neighboring countries, critical of the decision.

Pres. Biden addressed the proliferation of firearms with several executive actions.

- \*#13. from Shanice
- \*Share Homework
- \*Dictation (1. PERFECT: Nee, Raymond, Sophia, Chiara, Arno, Grace, Shanice, Vicky)
- 4-13
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- \*News: Japan's plan to dump wastewater into the seafaces opposition both domestic and int'l. The USA and Western countries may not want to criticize its ally or force it to "do the right thing."
- \*Dictation (1. PERFECT: Raymond, Helen, Sophia, Shanice, Jane)
- \*Continue handout on academic articles & the academic article(s) on women leadership.
- If an academic article is very well received and extremely convincing, it may become part of the curriculum for graduate programs and even have its results included in the revision of an undergraduate textbook.

4-20

\*News: China & the USA made a joint statement on cooperating to address climate change after special envoy John Kerry visited his Chinese counterpart.

- PM Suga of Japan paid an official visit to Washington, D.C., and they announced stronger cooperation on regional issues.

  Russian Defense Ministry announced military
- Russian Defense Ministry announced military exercises in Ukraine area, possibly violating sovereignty.
- \*Course plans for next two weeks, (5-1, Essay 1)
- \*Correct previous dictation (1. PERFECT: Nee, 2.
- PERFECT: Nee, Sophia, Helen, Raymond)
- \*Quotations: direct (must use quotation marks "" & the exact words someone said. Note any changes in []) and indirect (paraphrases what someone said and does not use quotation marks).
- \*Handout on direct quotations in academic writing
- \*For Thurs., do the exercise on the quotations handout and edit your paragraph from last week to include a signal phrase and context with the quotation you chose (if it doesn't have those things already). Read the handout on "-cracy / -archy" and the classic chapters by Stepan & Linz, Schmitter & Karl on regime types for Thurs. and next week. We'll also

work on topic sentences for paragraphs.

- \*News: Olympic villages will use agricultural products from the Fukushima region contaminated by the nuclear reactor.
- Minneapolis court convicted ex-policeman Chauvin of three counts of murder/manslaughter of George Floyd, to be sentenced to prison. At the same time, a black teenage girl was shot and killed by police for a knife attack in OH.
- Pres. Biden appears to be breaking a campaign promise to open the USA to more refugees, to reverse the restrictive policies of Pres. Trump.
- \*Share examples of your use of signal phrases and context around quotations.
- A thesis statement is the main point of your essay, what you're arguing for and trying to persuade the reader to believe.
- \*3 types of paragraphs in an essay: Introduction (your thesis goes here), Body (the most in your essays,

where you make your argument for your thesis to convince the reader that your claim is true), & Conclusion (repeat the thesis and state how it was proved with evidence)

- \*Topic Sentences (only body paragraphs need one). Quotations should be evidence to support the claim(s) made in the topic sentence, as well as the overall thesis of the essay.
- \*Topic Sentences Exercise
- \*Paragraph Unscramble: Put the sentences in the following paragraph in the correct order. (KEY: Find the topic sentence first!)
- For Tues., again read the "-cracy & -archy" handout as well as the two academic texts by Stepan & Linz, Schmitter & Karl on regime types

4-27

\*News: Wang Yi said the U.S. has not yet overcome

- its misunderstanding of China, called for the U.S. to respect the path chosen by China, hoped for cooperation.
- On Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup> a Russian decree stated a prohibition against diplomatic missions with "unfriendly" countries. (Retaliation & reciprocity)
- Emergency food aid sent from China to Albania.
- Joe Biden recognized the Armenian genocide during WWI, angering Turkey.
- Chloe Zhao (Zhou Ting) is the first woman of color to win the Oscar award for Best Picture and Best Director. Not a lot of ethnic Chinese pride in the PRC
- = The Chinese nation is civic, tied to the PRC state,
- not ethnic?
- \*Paragraph Unscramble answer. Share some topic sentence examples...need more practice?
- \*A foundation of comparative politics: Regime Types What is a regime (political system)? It includes the political institutions in general, specifically with regard to leadership and popular political participation. Succession of leadership (how is the next leader chosen?) is given by the regime type as "the rules of the game."

- \*Handout on "-archy" & "-cracy" (words describing "who governs" and how the state relates to citizens/society...should not be confused w/ regimes!)
- \*Democracy Vs. Non-democracy: Why so important to Western political science & politics generally?
- \*Political Culture, Political Development, Human Development Theory (based upon World Values Surveys), & Teleology
- Example WVS questions: In your view, is your country A) a full democracy, B) a democracy with minor problems, C) a democracy with major problems, or D) not a democracy?

  To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement? "Best to get rid of Parliament and elections and have a strong leader who can quickly decide everything." (strongly agree, somewhat agree, no opinion/don't know, somewhat disagree, strongly
- Graphic of cultural "clumping" of WVS answers.

disagree)

- \*Two classic texts in comparative politics & political theory of regime types by Stepan & Linz, Schmitter & Karl
- \*For Thurs., read the handout on basic regime types. Write two paragraphs explaining which type of government (from the "-archy" & "-cracy" handout) you'd most like to live under and which you'd least like to live under. In both cases, give reasons and an example of a country today or in history which governed close to the "ideal type" of the category.
- 4-29
- \*News: Anti-missile defense system opposed by locals received supplies, three protesters were injured.
- THAAD cooperation with the USA. Pres. Moon gave a speech expressing hopes to restart dialog w/ NK,
- looking forward to a summit w/ the USA.
- Summit between Putin & Biden on the disputes between Russia & the USA is likely.
- China's anti-human-trafficking plan was released, focusing on women's rights at the rural and village levels.
- VP Harris is working on illegal immigration as the

- crisis on the southern border continues. More aid has been promised to Central American countries.
- \*Share homework
- \*Regime Types handout & discussion. Most important/difficult/controversial: differences between Authoritarian & Totalitarian, Democracy & Non-Democracy
  Eurocentrism (focusing on cases in Europe for
- Eurocentrism (focusing on cases in Europe for evidence supporting theories, considering Europe and Western culture/institutions the most advanced/most important)
- \*Democracy Vs. Non-democracy: Why so important to Western political science & politics generally? The answer relates to "individual liberty." Westerners believe leaders get their legitimacy from being chosen directly by the act of voting. Leaders not chosen this way are less or not legitimate.
- \*Political Culture, Political Development, Human Development Theory (based upon World Values Surveys), & Teleology

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disagree)

5-8

no opinion/don't know, somewhat disagree, strongly

- \*Two classic texts in comparative politics & political theory of regime types by Stepan & Linz, Schmitter & Karl
- HOMEWORK: Watch the two documentaries and decide which you want to discuss on Sat., May 8<sup>th</sup>. Next Thurs. we'll draft introduction paragraphs and thesis statements for Essay 1.
- \*News: former Pres. Trump has launched a new

- social media platform to communicate w/ his supporters. Facebook seems unlikely to allow Trump to rejoin.
- Biden announced \$1.8 trillion "family" spending plan for sick leave, family leave, and education for lowincome citizens.
- India's Covid-19 infections remain at world-record levels, and a 3<sup>rd</sup> wave may be unavoidable. Support for Modi is slipping.
- Chinese census results are expected to show population decline for the first time in history.
- \*Conclude discussion of regime types & comparative politics topics
- \*Political Culture, Political Development, Human Development Theory (based upon World Values Surveys), & Teleology (there is a goal/direction of change and development, and changes not toward this goal are not significant or even negative)
- Example WVS questions: In your view, is your country A) a full democracy, B) a democracy with minor problems, C) a democracy with major problems, or D) not a democracy?
- To what extent do you agree or disagree with this

statement? "Best to get rid of Parliament and elections and have a strong leader who can quickly decide everything." (strongly agree, somewhat agree, no opinion/don't know, somewhat disagree, strongly disagree)

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- \*Two classic texts in comparative politics & political theory of regime types by Stepan & Linz, Schmitter & Karl
- \*Introduction paragraphs: An introduction paragraph should introduce the topic of the essay. In doing so, the paragraph should 1. make the reader interested (tell why it is important if it's not obvious), 2. give the thesis statement of the essay.
- If the topic is unfamiliar or esoteric, an introduction paragraph may also give background information.
- What are some different ways to get the reader interested in your essay's topic within the first sentence or so?
- The first sentence of an essay should have a "hook" (something to inerest, entice, or attract the reader). It should attract, entice, or otherwise "hook" the reader like a fish.

For our original research or our own editorials not written for course assignments, we ourselves are likely to be interested in the topic already.

#### Do our essays for this course need a hook or not?

A hook at the beginning of an essay may...

1. A famous or otherwise interesting quotation

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         2. A bold or controversial statement
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         If we do not shift our security discourse on the topic of climate change to one that is ecological and
         holistically comprehensive, humans could be extinct before the 22nd century.
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         (confrontational)
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         3. Try to connect to the reader emotionally.
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         4. Ask a question
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Thesis statements: Your thesis should make a "truth claim" (say that something is true and briefly why you think so/the evidence you will use to prove it to be true).

For Sat., your homework is to draft an introduction paragraph for your Essay 1 containing a hook in the first sentence. Then, your paragraph should give relevant background information, perhaps mentioning why the topic is important. Finally give your thesis statement in direct response to the prompt.

\*Which documentary will we discuss on Sat.? Watch

- "Fahrenheit 11-9" documenary.
- \*HOMEWORK: Watch the documentary "Fahrenheit 11-9" and be prepared to discuss it. Draft an introduction paragraph to share w/ classmates on Sat.
- Essay 1 will be due on Sun., May 16th. We will meet then for small conversation groups on Tues. morning. GROUPS: 7:55am = Judy, Lanny, Sophia, & Shanice.
- 8:30 = Grace, Helen, Jane, & Arno. 9:05 = Nee, Raymond, Chiara, & Vicky (Since your class is very small, you have the option of reducing each group to three students and adding a noon session, if you want more time to speak.)
- Sat. make-up session 5-8
- \*News: Global food crisis in 2029? Report from EU, UN, other orgs. 155 million people around the world face food insecurity, an increase since 2021 due to Covid.
- Brazil aims to diversify its trade with China, seeking to move beyond "primary products" (such as agriculture & natural resources).
- The former president of Maldives was injured in a bomb attack. He is a strong advocate for new

- environmental policies to combat climate change & global warming, the first demoratically elected in the history of the country, featured in the documentary, "The Island President"
- Pres. Biden set a corporate tax rate between 25-28%, suggesting he might accept a lower rate than what he proposed. Taxation may be "progressive" or "regressive".
- \*Share your introduction paragraph draft
- \*What are your three favorite movies? Send me your ranking (1., 2., 3.). What is your favorite documentary film?
- \*Arguments = similar to a thesis statement, they claim that something is true and then use rhetoric and evidence to prove it or argue for it.
- \*Considering counter-arguments: to show that we have thought about how a skeptical/critical reader might respond to our essay, we antipate and respond to what they might object to or disagree with. Who would disagree with you and why? Why are they wrong? Write this just before your conclusion

paragraph.

- \*Conclusion paragraphs: Rephrase your thesis and how you proved it. Mention what kind of research would prove that you are right or wrong. Remind the reader why your topic is important to avoid the "so what?" response.
- \*Michael Moore's "Fahrenheit 11-9": Your reactions & questions? Could you understand it w/ English subtitles?
- Styles & genres of movies: Comedy, Horror, Science Fiction, Action, Drama, Animation, Thriller. Independent Vs. Blockbuster (big budget, wide release all around the world, such as a superhero movie). Ask your neighbor what his/her favorite kind of movie is and why. What is your least favorite kind?
- Documentaries Vs. Fiction Films... Which do you prefer & why?
- Documentary films Vs. "Super-Docs" (narrator = person who speaks and "tells the story" with his/her voice, often exaggerate for entertainment purposes,

- always gives an opinion)...For example, see "Death by China" by Peter Navarro of the Trump Admin.
- Documentaries Vs. Propaganda Films (i.e. "Triumph of the Will" under WWII Nazi Germany) = one-sided and highly opinionated
- \*Left-wing populism in the USA & Moore's claim that "The USA is a left-wing majority country." Populism: grassroots support from average people against elites
- Donald Trump's claim to right-wing populism is mainly based on restriction of immigration.
- Left-wing populism wants class warfare, income redistribution from high taxes on the rich.
- Environmental justice, etc.
- \*Political participation in liberal/Western democracies Average people take action to influence politics according to the regime type.
- "Political Participation in Beijing" book by Tianjian Shi about how average citizens would work for influence within their work units 单位.

- \*(Labor) Strikes, Protests (expected to be peaceful), Riots (violent & destructive of property)
- \*Closing comparison to Hitler & Nazis, Despotism
- Essay 1 will be due on Sun., May 16th. We will meet then for small conversation groups on Tues. morning. GROUPS: 7:55am = Judy, Lanny, Sophia, & Shanice. 8:30 = Grace, Helen, Jane, & Arno. 9:05 = Nee, Raymond, Chiara, & Vicky (Since your class is very small, you have the option of reducing each group to three students and adding a noon session, if you want more time to speak.)
- 5-13
- \*News: Ransomware cyberattack shut down the largest oil pipeline in the northeast USA, resulting in a 20% price increase.
- Israel-Palestinian conflict has escalated greatly in the past few days, with many residential building destroyed in Gaza, rockets fired into Israel by Hamas, dozens killed. The timing is supposed to be one of the most peaceful times of the year, at the end of

- Ramadan.
- Pres. Biden publicly defended extending unemployment benefits but said everyone must look for jobs or lose their benefits. Job growth was slower than expected in April.
- U.S. foreign policy is "outdated" and must change, according to an Indian media editorial. The accusation is that its thinking is still stuck in the era of The Cold War.
- The Chinese census notes that the birth rate is at its lowest since 1961.
- A glass bridge shattered in Longjing, Jilin, and the pictures of stranded tourists went viral. 90Km winds broke the glass panels.
- \*Last call for questions about the Stepan & Linz chapter, Schmitter & Karl's article on modern non-democratic and democratic regimes.
- \*Theory & Practice in the social sciences. We want our theories to be "context-independent", generalized, and applicable all around the world.
- \*Democratic Theory & Practice exercise (Take up to 30 minutes to match concepts with actually existing

- regimes & procedural variations)
- \*Each student and explains an association from the exercise
- HOMEWORK: Submit E1 by this Sunday. On Tues., we'll do more writing exercises working on quotations.

#### 5-18

\*News: Fighting between Palestinians and Israel has continued for a week, with about 200 and 10 casualties, respectively. Air strikes in the Gaza Strip have severely damaged infrastructure. Rockets continue to be fired by Hamas into Israel. China has attempted to moderate the conflict. China called for global solidarity to prevent escalation of the violence, which has affected many women and children. Pres. Biden announced progress in Covid-19 vaccinations, lifting indoor mask-wearing requirements for vaccinated individuals. The debate

continues about releasing intellectual property on

patented vaccines to address the global upswing in cases. It was revealed that Pres. Trump's contracts with the pharmaceutical companies included a guarantee that the patents would not be shared.

- \*Any questions from Democratic Theory & Practice Exercise worksheet?
- \*Essay 1 will be returned to you next week. A prompt for Essay 2, with a deadline, will be decided soon.
- \*Essay titles (handout & exercises)
- \*Quotation exercises 2: 3 recent texts on "The Liberal World Order"
- \*Quotation exercises 2: 3 quotes you're likely to disagree with.
- HOMEWORK: Quotations 2, EXERCISE 1, EXERCISE 2 (Compare either Kagan, Nye, and Brands OR Stepan & Linz, Schmitter & Karl in one paragraph.) EXERCISE 2.

- \*News: French gov't & Bolivia have a conflict at the IMF?
- A fire broke out in Canada, resulting in property damage and injuries.
- USA has a plan to increase vaccine exports. "Vaccine hesitancy" remains strong among Americans.
- Hate incidents against Asians have risen by over 100% in the USA in 2020.
- U.S. Climate Envoy John Kerry considers limiting imports from countries which do not tax high carbon emitters. More pressure is needed to reduce and eventually eliminate fossil fuels' usage.
- \*Share homework (1 paragraph comparing scholars' backgrounds and credibility)
- \*3 sentences from the end of the Titles handout
- \*Continue and finish Quotations 2 Exercises using brackets [] to modify quotations to fit your exact intention.
- On Tues., we'll work on translating general statements using another handout to be sent to you soon.

HOMEWORK: Do EXERCISE 3 from the Quotations 2 handout, writing a full paragraph using one of the quotations (3A, 3B, or 3C) that edits the original quotation with brackets [] in some way.

### 5-25

- \*News: Pres. Xi observed the death of Yuan Longping, creator of a hybrid rice variety which fed millions.
- Japan released study results on radioactive water, revealing that waste has leaked, likely entering the sea with rainwater.
- U.S. & S.Korean leaders met to discuss N.Korean issues, production of Covid-19 vaccines, THAAD ballistic missile system is ongoing.
- A plane carrying a 26 year-old journalist from Belarus was forced by a fighter jet to land so that the gov't could arrest him.
- Several marathon runners in Baiyin, Gansu, died when severe weather struck suddenly.
- Western media again are considering the possibility that Covid-19 originated from a Chinese lab leak.

- \*Share homework (paragraph edited with brackets)
- \*Questions about Essay 1? Topics & Prompts for Essay 2 will be up soon, due June 13<sup>th</sup>?
- \*Finish Quotations 2 Exercises, any questions about "the liberal world order" = Rule-based international order which emphasizes global governance (incl. Globalization, economic interdependence, int'l institutions such as the UN, WTO, etc.) to build trust, peace, cooperation, GDP growth, free trade, human rights, reduce anarchy. What connection(s) does the LWO have to Western/liberal democracy? The USA & The West use the LWO to spread what they call "universal values" & human rights, including the "promotion" of liberal democracy (incl. Wars of regime change in Iraq & Afghanistan).
- \*Handout: General Statements

HOMEWORK: Be ready to talk about political economy readings on Thurs. (For next Tues., homework will be to write 1-2 paragraphs comparing concepts in the articles.)

- \*News: Sec. Of State Blinken visited Israel and reiterated its rights to self-defense, criticized Hamas, and supported the cease-fire.
- Russia is making a strategic partnership for more cooperation and coordination with China. A bilateral summit between Pres. Biden & Putin will be held on June 16 to discuss ongoing challenges in the world and conflicts between the USA and Russia.
- U.S. military withdrawal from Afghanistan continues to face security challenges with ongoing attacks.
- \*Review
- \*Finish General Statements translation of sentences 1, 7, 11, 16, 20, 26, 30, 31
- \*Handout on political economy. Key terms: public Vs. private (based upon two factors: 1. ownership, 2. funding) not to be confused with for-profit Vs. non-profit organizations, planned Vs. market economy Measuring success for a business is based on its "bottom line": profitable or not?

Gov't agencies, public organizations, and non-profit organizations must be judged differently. Are they achieving their goals? Are they efficient? Business success is measured by profitability; public service organizations & non-profits are measured by effectiveness (and sometimes efficiency).

MNCs = Multinational corporations such as Wal-Mart, Google, Apple, Amazon, etc. They are private, but "publicly traded" on the stock market.

Compare this to Huawei. Most assume in the West that it is closely connected to the gov't of China. Consider the U.S. Postal Service is gov't owned and

operated but gets its funds in part from selling mail delivery. Japan tried to privatize its postal service under PM Koizumi.

Most Westerners assume that private businesses are more efficient than public agencies and org. Is it fair to compare? Sometimes efficiency is *less important* than effectiveness, doing a good job, "getting the job done."

\*LA Times article on Changchun from 2016

\*Articles on Democratic Socialism, Social Democracy in *TeenVogue & The Atlantic* 

paragraphs (preferably with a direct quotation): 1. How have the articles changed or challenged (or not) your opinion that "China is socialist, and the USA is capitalist?" 2. How far should economic reforms in China go, or should they go back towards the Maoist era to address socioeconomic inequality, job insecurity, and other downsides of "Reform and Opening"? Why? 3. To what extent do you think the "free-market economy" Libertarians and Western conservatives dream of is possible and desirable? Why? 4. Most Westerners see the post-Mao PRC of the 21<sup>st</sup> century as practicing "Red Capitalism" or "State Capitalism". How (in)accurate are these terms?

6-1

\*News: Canada lowered flags to half-mast to memorialize the hundreds of children at a "residential school" (where native/indigenous children were taken from their families to "Westernize" them) who died/were killed.

China will now allow parents to have three children to address demographic challenges of a society that may "get old before it gets rich."

Protests in 15 American cities erupted against continuing to provide weapons to Israel, recipient of

- the most U.S. aid totaling tens of billions of dollars. Critics call Israel an "apartheid" state, while defenders of it accuse critics of being "Anti-Semitic". A coalition has formed to remove PM Netanyahu from office.
- Nigeria emergency management announce that 89 people have died in a recent shipwreck on a river in the country. The boat was far over capacity when it capsized.
- \*Review
- \*Finish political economy handout
- \*LA Times article on Changchun from 2016
- \*Articles on Democratic Socialism, Social Democracy in *TeenVogue & The Atlantic*
- \*Rhetorical question: How many billionaires should a socialist country have?
- \*Thurs. or next Tues., check out a book in English from the library and bring it to class for a session on citations & bibliographies.

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6-3

- \*News: WHO announced that another Chinese vaccine was approved for emergency use. China has donated millions of doses to more than 80 countries, mostly in the global South.
- Pres. Biden said the U.S. military is "a defender of freedom" on Memorial Day, noting 1736 deaths of U.S. soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan.
- U.S. gov't announced a 25% retaliatory tariff on six countries that are charging extra for services and goods from major U.S. MNCs. Protectionism is gaining hold in opposition to free trade. Why put tariffs on allied countries such as Britain & India.

Examples of reciprocity or "tit-for-tat" policies. Mex. Pres. Lopez-Obrador claims interference against critics of his policies and gov't. NGO "Mexicans Against Corruption" (with ties to the Mexican opposition party) may have received large financial donations from the USA. Compare this to China, which requires foreign NGOs to have a domestic partnership and close gov't supervision, effectively becoming "GONGOs" = Gov't-operated NGO. Denmark gave information about its participation in U.S. monitoring of European allies. "Keep your

- U.S. monitoring of European allies. "Keep your friends close and your enemies closer." Should we spy on our allies?
- \*Review
- \*Share homework
- \*Essay 2 Topics & Prompts: any questions?
- \*Any further questions about the political economy handout?
- When defining key terms, it is best to begin with a "background concept" that is general, applicable in as many contexts as possible, something "we can all

- agree on".
- i.e. "Democracy" as a background concept: gov't of/by/for the people.
- \*A contested term: What is socialism? How do we modify the term for specific contexts? "orthodox" Marxism, "scientific", "w/ Chinese characteristics," etc. In the USA, socialists have tried to "re-brand" their ideology very simply as "meaningful democracy."
- \*LA Times article on Changchun from 2016
- \*Articles on Democratic Socialism, Social Democracy in *TeenVogue & The Atlantic*
- \*Rhetorical question: How many billionaires should a socialist country have?
- \*For Tues., check out a book in English from the library and bring it to class for a session on citations & bibliographies. Thursday's session should be easy and relaxed, and there won't be homework next week.

- \*News: Putin signed a bill withdrawing from the "Open Skies" treaty for air surveillance around the world, over the territory of other countries. This treaty was not well respected, and the U.S. withdrew first.
- 7 qualified candidates for upcoming Iranian elections, many being culturally conservative, with possible replacements for Supremem Leader Ayatollah Khamanei.
- Japan vaccination mistakes are frequent and of concern in the lead-up to the Olympics.
- China expressed opposition to Pres. Biden's restrictions on investments in certain Chinese companies. An executive order prevents U.S. citizens from investing in securities related to the Chinese military and surveillance. This appears to be a continuation of Trump's policies. Chinese representatives note the damage to "normal market function" both for China and globally.

- \*Review
- \*Note again that topics and prompts for Essay 2 are on the course website. Pay attention to the "point distribution" for requirements & grading.
- \*Citation (More formal & specific. Tells the reader exactly where an idea or quotation comes from, such as another text. Whose idea or data are you using, and where can it be found? What is the source?) Vs. Quotation (direct or indirect use of someone else's ideas or words)
- \*What are citations and bibliographies for? They help the reader to find the original source of an idea, and if they are interested in more information on a topic, they can check one's sources. They allow the reader to confirm that we are not misusing a source.

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\*Citation styles: in-line (easy to find the sources, v.brief. Can be distracting from the main text), footnotes (also easy to find the sources, more commentary and other information can be included without interrupting the flow of the main text), end

- notes (can include comprehensive information without interrupting the flow of the main text, but inconvenient to change pages back and forth)
- \*Bibliography, Works Cited, References: entries always alphabetical lists by the author's surname. Bibliographies can include or be the same as "Recommended Readings" or "Further Reading" or "Related Texts" or "Related Readings"
- \*Examples of citation styles & bibliographies
- \*For most bibliographies, I recommend this format: Authorsurname, Authorgivenname. 2021. *Book Title* (Publisher's City, Country: Publisher's Name).
- Authorsurname, Authorgivenname. 2020. "Title of Article." *Name of Academic Journal/Magazine/Newspaper/Website* Vol.#:Ed.#:
- pg. #-#. Available online: <u>www.webaddress.com</u>

On Thurs., we'll practice a few more citations and follow up the political economy lesson with some oral

English practice using the handout on Money. HOMEWORK: Write a bibliography w/ five entries and send it to me (we won't share it in class).

6-10

- \*News: Pres. Macron of France was slapped in the face by a citizen while visiting the southeast of the country, possibly related to the "yellow-vest" protest. China and CEEC cooperation will deepen, according to recent diplomatic meetings.
- China-UK cooperation has been advocated and praised by the new ambassador to Britain.
- A Fudan professor was murdered by colleagues.
- \*Review...authors = the writers of the content of an article or book Vs. editors (treated the same in bibliographies) = compile and edit chapters of an "edited volume"
- \*Any last-minute questions about Essay 2?
- A "volume" is part of a series (of books or magazines or journals). Each volume may be divided into issues

- or editions, sometimes cited as no. (number).
- Not all volumes are edited. They may have only one author, especially if the author is the undisputed expert on a topic.
- No matter which format you use, be consistent.
- Conform to the format of the publication where you submit your work.
- An edited volume has multiple authors, may also have more than one editor, often the result of an academic conference where scholars present "working papers" later edited to fit together in an edited volume, perhaps not published elsewhere.
- I will send corrections to your bibliography homework before the weekend if I haven't yet.
- \*Edited volumes & multiple authors: (Ed.), (Eds.), et al
- Sanctions are effective under very specific conditions (Bapat et al, 2019).

Chan, Yuk Wah & Sin Yee Koh (Eds.). 2020. *New Chinese Migrations* (New York, Routledge).

OR

Chan, Yuk Wah, Sin Yee Koh (Eds.).<sup>1</sup>

Want more practice?

News agencies such as Xinhua in China.

In the USA the three most famous news agencies (which often don't list authors for their articles) are: AP (The Associated Press), Bloomberg, Reuters.

The Associated Press. 2021. "China: Professor Killed Party Official at Fudan University." *Yahoo News*. 6-10-2021. Available online:

https://news.yahoo.com/china-professor-killed-party-official-030119176.html

The Associated Press. 2020.

\*Conclude political economy w/ handout "Money Is the Root of All Evil"

<sup>1</sup> See Chan & Koh (Eds.), 2020. I think their book on Chinese migration is very useful and accurate.

On Tues., I hope to have a handout ready about civilian-military relations and coups. You're encouraged to read the same three articles I sent the sophomores on the topic. If the sophomores don't help me write the handout, would any of you like to volunteer?

### 6-15

- \*News: G7 meeting results: an "alternative" to the BRI building infrastructure in the developing world...Pres. Biden says the U.S. doesn't want to compete with Russia but just "correct" some behavior, though relations are at a low point since the end of the cold war.
- China expressed strong objections to Japanese PM calling Taiwan "a country", in apparent violation of previous agreements.
- College students at Nanjing Normal University held a school leader hostage over a proposed merger with a vocational school.
- \*Future citation sessions: Chinese language sources, long quotations

- \*Essay 2 will be returned/graded next week. Essay 3 will be due at the end of the semester, on a date TBA.
- \*Handout on military coups, etc.
- \*Introduce articles on coups d'etat, the situation in Burma (Myanmar)

HOMEWORK: Write one or two paragraphs answering ONE of the following questions. 1. Under what circumstances, if any, would you support a coup d'etat? 2. Do you think the designation of a "professional" military as one with no interest in governing the country is valid or just another Western value judgment of junta leaders in regimes like today's Thailand and Myanmar (Burma)? Why? 3. Should military service be mandatory (conscripted) or voluntary? Why? 4. Where military service is required, as in 75 countries around the world, should women also be conscripted? Why/why not?

Colloquium: A small group which meets for scholarly discussion

6-17

\*News: NATO leaders mentioned the "threat" of China's rise for the first time; usually NATO focuses on Europe and particularly the threat of Russian expansion. China condemns the "cold war mentality" of the alliance.

The EU-U.S. Summit sought to restore ties damaged by the previous administration, agreeing to cooperate more on trade and global. Specifically, competition between aviation industries (Boeing & Airbus) is said to be more cooperative to respond to China's growth in domestic production of airplanes. They seek to restrict Chinese competition.

Pres. Biden is meeting with V.Putin in Geneva, Switzerland; a new strategic dialog has been proposed. Putin reiterated his support for Chinese cooperation in an interview with U.S. TV network NBC, including a "strategic partnership" with China. The British gov't announced a new free trade agreement (FTA) with Australia, the first since Brexit. It will make it easier for British citizens to travel and work in Australia.

- \*Review
- \*Share homework
- \*Finish handout on militarism, conscription, coup d'etats
- \*Max Weber's 3 "Legitimate Authority" ideal types:

- 1. Traditional (the way things have always been) 2. Charismatic (a leader is very charming and persuasive and popular) 3. Rational-Legal (impersonal and the most fair, Weber's preference for a modern bureaucracy)

  Regime Legitimacy & "The Right to Rule" (The
- Regime Legitimacy & "The Right to Rule" (The people accept the authority of the gov't). Military regimes (juntas) tend to have low legitimacy (they gained power by illegitimate means and they tend not to be good at governance).
- Examples of types of regime legitimacy include Weber's ideal types and at the systemic level... democratic (esp. through elections), performance (especially economic growth, "social stability," rule of law, etc.), ideological (i.e. socialist, fascist, nationalism etc.)
- \*Articles on coups d'etat, the situation in Burma (Myanmar), my personal experience w/ Burmese refugees
- On Tues., we'll talk about how to cite Chineselanguage sources and how to deal with long quotations for Essay 3 (due at the end of the semester,

deadline TBA). Bring a book and an article in Chinese to Tuesday's session.

HOMEWORK: Answer the poll on how to end the course if you haven't yet. Optional comprehension quiz on the article by Zin Mar Aung (for the sophomores, it's mandatory). Write one paragraph expressing your opinion of the situation in Burma (It will be an Essay 3 topic, but I'd like to know everyone's opinion, even if you choose a different topic.)

### 6-22

\*News: Former Afghan president Hamid Karzai notes that U.S. military operations have failed to end terrorism in nearly 20 years in the country.

The special envoy of North Korean affairs for the

USA met with Japan and says the USA is willing to engage in dialog with the DPRK.

China urged the USA not to use "vaccine donation diplomacy" as leverage, after a donation to Taiwan.

Pres. Biden's 13 year-old German Shepherd "Champ"

- died recently.
- \*Review

the text.

- \*Share homework?
- \*Questions about Essay 2 grades?
- \*If anyone wants the answers to the comprehension quiz on the Burmese coup article by Zin Mar Aung, please tell me.
- \*Two other articles by Fisher, Chin, more generally about military coups.
- \*Citations of Chinese-language (& other non-English) sources (quoted directly): Either a footnote or an end note is required. 1. Translate the text you will quote into English. 2. Cite the text (incl. pg. # if from a book) in a footnote or end note. 3. Write "original text:" and put the original text in Chinese after it. 4. Be sure to have a bibliographic entry for the source of
- \*Bibliographic entries for Chinese-language sources: Treat them like other entries, but translate the title of

the book (or article) into English, and put the original Chinese title in [] after the English title. The title in "Chinese" in the [] must be in pinyin...Chinese characters are optional for the title, but everything else must be in Roman letters.

IN-CLASS ACTIVITY: Use my example page with a cited quotation from *Global Times* as a model for what I expect you to do in Essay 3. Practice today by choosing a quotation in Chinese (from your book or article), translating it into English, then writing a paragraph around it (while citing the author and providing the original Chinese text). Send a file or photo of your handwritten paragraph via DingTalk.

By your vote, we'll meet for Small Conversation Groups on Thurs., play a final review game on Tues., and end with an online drawing & writing "game."

THURS., JUNE 24TH SMALL CONVERSATION GROUPS: 9:55am = Judy, Lanny, Sophia, & Shanice. 10:30 = Grace, Helen, Jane, & Arno. 11:05 = Nee, Raymond, Chiara, & Vicky (Since your class is very small, you have the option of reducing each group to three students and adding a noon session, if you want more time to speak.)

HOMEWORK: Send me your paragraph with the translated, direct quotation and citation if you haven't yet. Write a bibliographic entry for an article and a book in Chinese, then insert them (alphabetically by surname) into your previous bibliography homework of five entries. (If you hand wrote them, you can just make a note of where your two Chinese-language entries would go rather than rewriting the whole thing.) Send them to me via DingTalk before Thurs.

#### 6-29 Final Review Game

Essay 3 will be due July 14<sup>th</sup>, and the prompts will be on the course website by the end of the week.

#### GAME CATEGORIES:

- \*Topic Sentence Pageant \*Give an Example
- \*Answer in a Complete Sentence \*Extend a Sentence
- \*Chinglish Elimination \*Word Scramble (3pts., 2pts.,
- 1pt.) \*Paragraph Unscramble
  - \*Bad Bibliography

Word Scramble: Paragraph... graph rap hag gap

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Concerned that they hadn't washed their clothes for many days, he and his best friends, who have many dirty clothes, cried very happily in their house in the morning on Monday because it was a sunny day and good opportunity in which he and his friends can wash their dirty clothes and do spring cleaning.

On Thurs., bring the long strip of paper and a good pen (colors might be nice, too).

Topic Sentence Pageant: As a team, give the following incomplete paragraphs a topic sentence. Your instructor will select the most "beautiful" one (best "fit", attractive, creative, grammatically perfect, and concise) as the winner.

1. That so many unprofitable and even "zombie" SOEs continue to be given loans to stay afloat suggests that the barriers to continuing economic reform may be larger than the West can appreciate. China's general economic strength, bolstered by large surpluses with most of its trading partners and a population that continues to prefer savings over consumption, means that it can afford to "lose money" to continue providing employment and pensions for its more important goal of social stability. Marxists who believe their own propaganda even speculate that the direction of

- future reforms may be nationalization and a return to a more command-based industrial policy. China's many billionaires, after all, may need to be brought down to earth to transition from socialism to a communist utopia.
- 2. Expectations that Donald Trump would simply fade away after social media bans and Pres. Biden's inauguration do not necessarily appear to be in the process of being met, as the populist ex-president's supporters show the resilient zeal of a personality cult. Trump was even quoted as expecting to be reinstated as president in August, following vote recounts in several states. Republican populists in Congress continue to deny that climate change is caused by humans, unless the humans in question are starting forest fires with a "Jewish space laser." And of course, no group in the country is more "vaccine-hesitant" and non-compliant with public health mandates than conservatives who voted for the incumbent in 2020, as shown in a May 2021 academic article by Jingjing Gao and Benjamin J. Radford from the University of NC at Charlotte

(<a href="https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/wmh3.435">https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/wmh3.435</a>).

## 7-1 (100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the CCP)

- \*Remaining categories of the review game:
- Paragraph Unscramble & Bad Bibliography. Submit your team's answers, and I will check them while you play the writing & drawing "game"
- \*Writing & Drawing "Game": At the top of your long strip of paper, write an English sentence or phrase. It may be about politics, an idiom, or anything that comes to mind. I recommend including an adjective.

After you've written on your paper strip, give your paper strip to a nearby classmate (i.e. one to your left). You should also receive a paper strip from a classmate.

When everyone has a new paper strip, tell me.

Paragraph Unscramble: These sentences are not in the correct order. Find the topic sentence, and then reorder the paragraph to flow properly. (Just write the letters of the sentences you think would be proper: i.e. ABCDEF)

A Patriots, after all, just have a deep love for their countries, and the term does not have the negative associations with violence that nationalists do. B Nationalists, by contrast, are especially sensitive to threats and insults, even misperceiving them where none exist or were intended. C Both groups, and perhaps most forms globally, think of themselves as "patriots". D Given the very different regimes of their states, Chinese and American nationalists may appear to have little in common. E Loving one's country is not enough for a nationalist; one must also be vigilant and active in defending it—with violence and illegal actions, if necessary. F Upon more detailed analysis, however, certain comparisons may be drawn.

Bad Bibliography: There are at least eight mistakes in the following bibliography. For each correction, a team will earn one point.

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make-fewer-in-person-appearances.html? r=2

### Paragraph Unscramble Solution: DFCABE

D Given the very different regimes of their states, Chinese and American nationalists may appear to have little in common. F Upon more detailed analysis, however, certain comparisons may be drawn. C Both groups, and perhaps most forms globally, think of themselves as "patriots". A Patriots, after all, just have a deep love for their countries, and the term does not have the negative associations with violence that nationalists do. B Nationalists, by contrast, are especially sensitive to threats and insults, even misperceiving them where none exist or were intended. E Loving one's country is not enough for a nationalist; one must also be vigilant and active in defending it—with violence and illegal actions, if necessary.

Take about 3-5 minutes to draw the sentence or phrase on your new paper strip (What does it describe? Make it visual.). I encourage you to be detailed and artistic (avoid "stick figures"), even if you don't think it looks good or very accurate. Almost everyone is a winner in this game, but if you don't put time and effort into your drawing, you lose!

When finished with drawings, fold the paper so that the original text can't be seen and only your drawing is visible. Pass the paper strip to the classmate to your left.

When you receive a new paper strip, only look at the most recent addition (whether a drawing OR text). Below the drawing, write another sentence or phrase that describes it. (What is in the drawing, and what is happening?)

Final Review Game winners: Team 4 (Arno, Nee, & Raymond).