

Selected Topics in Sociology A – Week #02 Reading Notes

Marx, K. & Engels, F (1977). Communist Manifesto. In McLellan, D. (Ed.), *Karl Marx: Selected Writings* (pp. 221-246), Oxford: Oxford University Press.

- According to Marx and Engels, how does capitalism operate?
- How did capitalism come about?
- Marx and Engels depict capitalism as a conflict between different social groups. What are these social groups and what are they in conflict over?
- Why do Marx and Engels believe that communism will eventually come to take over capitalism?

Swales, J. & Feak, C. (2004). *Academic writing for graduate students*, 2nd edition, Ann Arbor: The University of Michigan Press, pp. 147-173.

- What are the basic elements of a well-written summary?
- Summaries are almost entirely written in your own words. In what limited instances would you directly quote phrases or passages from the source text?