

List of topics and bibliography for study group meetings of
the Communist Party of Britain (Marxist-Leninist)
Liverpool Branch.

Below are listed the proposed topics for discussion, together with suggested reading for each one. This does not mean that these are the only books worth reading. Under some headings many more could be listed, under others the material is so limited that we are forced to give a short list. There might well be others and we will always welcome suggestions. We are not saying that everybody should read all the books suggested, that would not be possible in the short time available. They are listed as more of a guide to the discussion. As far as possible all the suggested books are readily available and we can, at least, supply all the classics that are essential for a greater understanding of a particular subject. Apart from the books under separate headings there are classics which are useful sense, these are the Manifesto of the Communist Party, Karl Marx and Frederick Engels, The Foundations of Leninism, J.V.Stalin, and State and Revolution, V.I.Lenin, all published in Peking.

1. Dialectical and Historical Materialism
Dialectical and Historical Materialism - J.V.Stalin
On Contradiction - Mao Tse Tung (Peking)
Materialism and Empirio-Criticism - V.I.Lenin (Moscow)
2. History of the Trade Unions and Working Class
History of Trade Unions - Henry Pelling (Pelican)
Reformation to Industrial Revolution - Christopher Hill (Pelican)
Industry and Empire - E.J.Hobsbawm (Pelican)
The Making of the English Working Class - E.P.Thompson (Pelican)
The Rise of the Working Class - Jurgen Kuczynski (World University Library)
History of British Labour Movement - A.L.Morton (International Publishers)
T.U.C. 1868 - 1968 - Centenary Edition
History of Trade Unions - Sidney and Beatrice Webb
The Common People - G.D.H.Cole and R.Postgate (University Paperbacks)
On Britain - Lenin
On Britain - Marx and Engels (Moscow) particularly The Condition of the Working class in England 1844 - Engels.
3. History of the Labour Party
History of the Labour Party - Henry Pelling (Papermac)
The Left in Europe - David Caute (World University Library)
All above titles.
4. Social Democracy Today
Labour Party election programmes - Labour Party
The Proletarian Revolution and the Renegade Kautsky - V.I.Lenin (Peking)
"Left-Wing" Communism, an Infantile Disorder - V.I.Lenin (Peking)
"How Labour Governed" 1945-51 - S.W.F.
5. Trade Unions Today
Reason - T.U.C. on Industrial Relations Bill
Trade Unions - Victor Allen (Lawrence and Wishart)
Strike at Pilkingtons - Tony Lane and Kenneth Roberts (Fontana)
The Million Pound Strike - Jim Arnison (Lawrence and Wishart)
6. Revisionism - British road to Socialism
British Road To Socialism - Communist Party Of Great Britain
Argument on Socialism - Maurice Dobb (Lawrence and wishart)
Turning Point of Socialism - Garaudy (Fontana)

6. Revisionism - British Road to Socialism (cont.)
On the General Line in the International Communist Movement(Peking)
Peaceful coexistence, 2 diametrically opposed views(Peking)
History of the Communist Party of Great Britain, 2 vols.(Lawrence and Wishart)
7. Labour Relations, Productivity Deals
Productivity Deals, the Employers Offensive - Tony Cliff(Pluto Press)
Productivity Deals - Bert Ramellson(C.P.G.B.)
8. Corporate State and the Industrial Relations Bill
"In Place Of Strife" - Labour Party White Paper
Tory Industrial Relations Bill
Introduction to Industrial Relations Bill 1970 - Liverpool Branch
C.P.B.(M-L)
Monopoly Capitalism - Paul Sweezy(Pelican)
9. Liberalism, Reformism, And Revolution
State and Revolution - V.I.Lenin(Peking)
Left-Wing Communism, an Infantile Disorder - V.I.Lenin(Peking)
Combat Liberalism - Mao Tse Tung(Peking)
Civil War in France - Karl Marx(Peking)
Industry and Empire - E.J.Hobsbawm(Pelican)
10. Students
Student Action Programme 1968 - C.P.B.(M-L)
Towards a Student Revolutionary Movement - R.S.S.F. 1969
Student Power - ed. Blackburn(Pelican)
On Youth - Lenin(Moscow)
Obselete Communism - Coln Bendit(Pelican)
11. Women
On the Emancipation of Women - V.I.Lenin(Moscow)
The Political Economy of Womens Liberation - Margaret Benson(Agit-prop)
Kinde Kunche Kuche - Agit-prop
Sexual Politics - Kate
12. Mass Media - Propoganda
The Hidden Persuaders - Vance Packard(Pelican)
Article on Communist Propoganda - Mao Tse Tung(Peking)
13. Marxist Economics - Wages, Prices and Profits
Wages, Prices and Profits - Karl Marx(Peking)
On Capital - Frederick Engles(Lawrence and Wishart)
Genisis of Caital - Karl Marx(Moscow)
Marxist Economics - Freidman(Pelican)
"Great Money Trick" from Ragged Trousered Philanthropist
14. Western Capitalism since the War - Part 1
-- Part 2
A topic bringing many of the previous subjects into one, or two, discussions. How monopoly capitalism has developed and the problems it has come across and how the capitalists have endeavoured to solve them. The growth of the big national and international companies, and the effect this has on the working class. The developement of the corporate state in an effort to prevent the working class from attacking these super profits. The crisis that capitalism is rapidly falling deeper into.
Western Capitalism since 1900 -- Vargas
Industry and Empire - E.J.Hobsbawm(Pelican)
Capitalism since the War - G.D.H.Cole

15. Imperialism
 Imperialism, the Highest Stage of Capitalism - V.I.Lenin(Peking)
 Oil Imperialism - C.P.B.(M-L)
 Aid as Imperialism - Haiter(Pelican)
16. Ireland
 Divided Ulster - Liam de Pour(Penguin special)
 On Ireland - V.I.Lenin(Irish Socialist Library)
 On Britain - Karl Marx and Frederick Engles(Moscow)
 Labour in Irish History - James Connolly(Irish Socialist Library)
 Labour, Nationality and Religion - Connolly(I.S.L.)
 The Re-conquest of Ireland - Connolly(I.S.L.)
 Erin's Hope and the New Evanglo - Connolly(I.S.L.)
 Fiery Cross: The Story of Jim Larkin - J.Deasy(I.S.L.)
17. Palestine
 Oil Imperialism - C.P.B.(M-L)
 The Decadence of Judaism - Moshe Menhuin
 Israel and the Arabs - Robinson(Penguin)
 Many booklets on Palestine published by different groups, available from us.
18. Third World
 Capitalism and Underdevelopment in Latin America - Panther
 Aid as Imperialism - Haiter(Pelican)
 African Trade Unions - Penguin African Library (also other books from same series)
 Guerilla Warfare - Che Guevara(Pelican)
 The Wretched of the Earth - Franz Fanon(Pelican)
19. Indo-China
 The British in Vietnam - Panther
 Selected Writings of Ho Chi Minh - Signet
 Hanoi - Mary McCarthy(Penguin)
 Vietnam - Mary McCarthy(Penguin)
20. The Role of the Marxist-Leninist Party
 The Programme of the Communist Party of Britain(Marxist-Leninist)
 Long Live the Dictatorship of the Proletariat - Peking 1971
 The Foundations of Leninism - J.V.Stalin(Peking)
 What is to be Done? - V.I.Lenin(Moscow)
 Two Tactics of Social Democracy in the Democratic Revolution - V.I.Lenin
 (Peking)
 The Worker - published by the Communist Party of Britain(Marxist-Leninist)
- Other general material includes back issues of the Worker and the Programme of the Communist Party of Britain(Marxist-Leninist)