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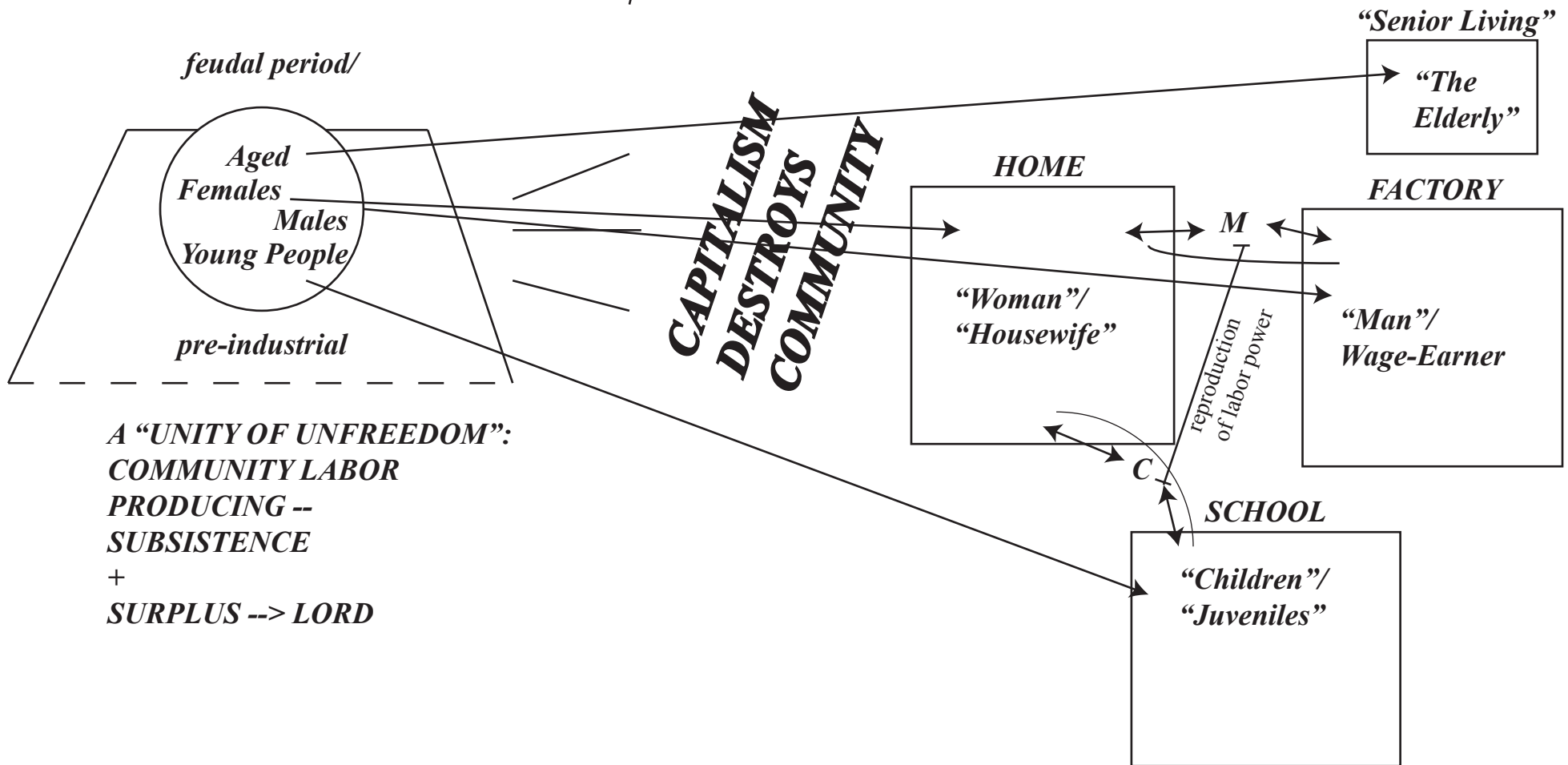
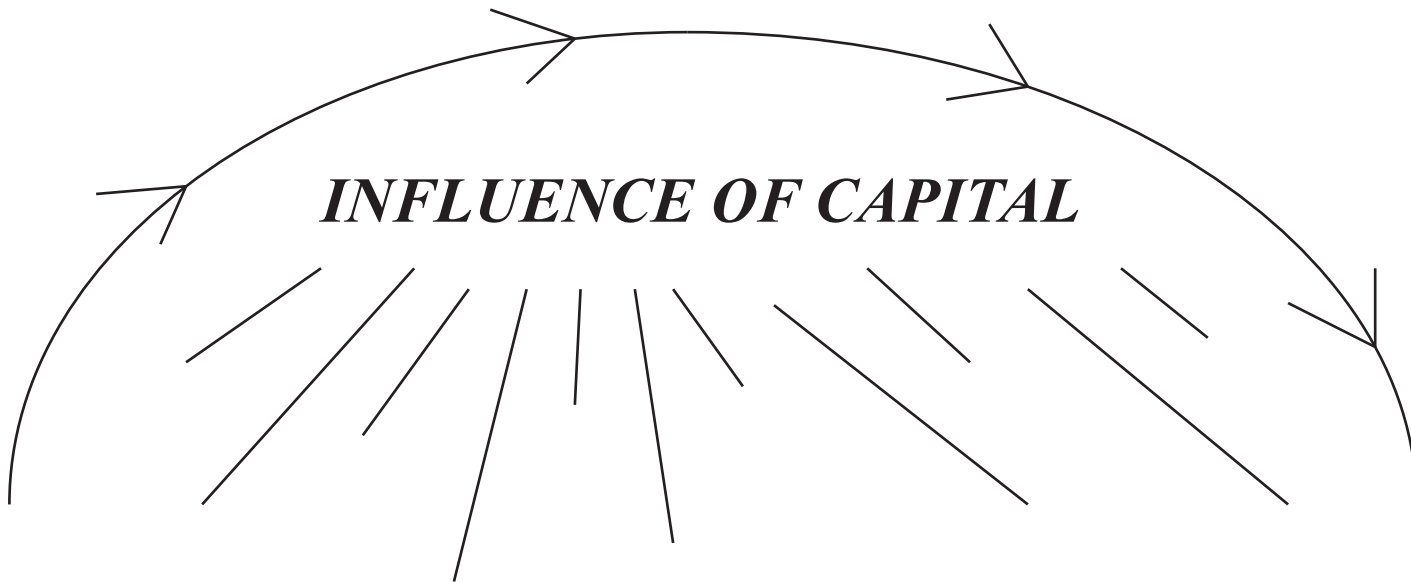
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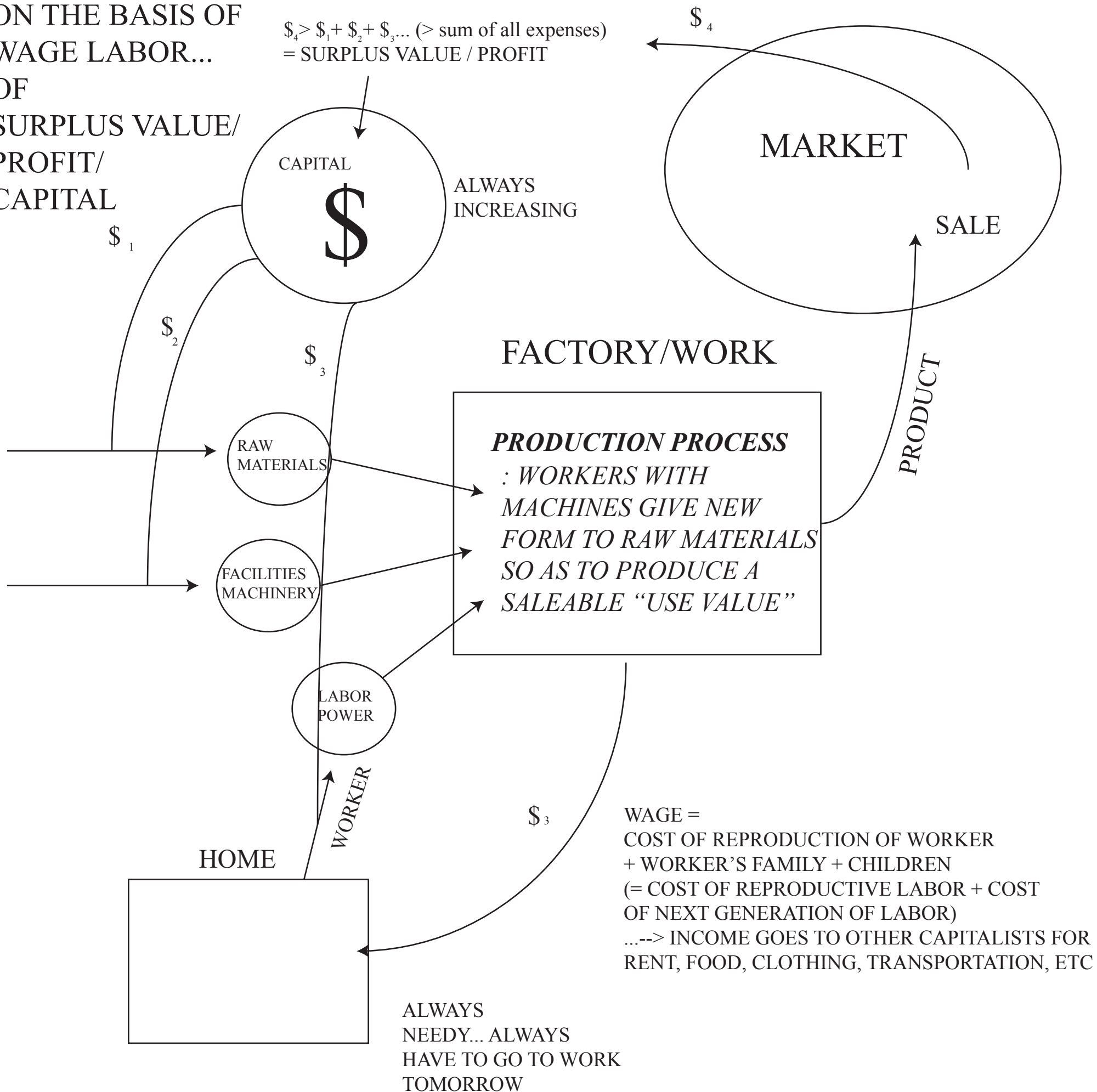
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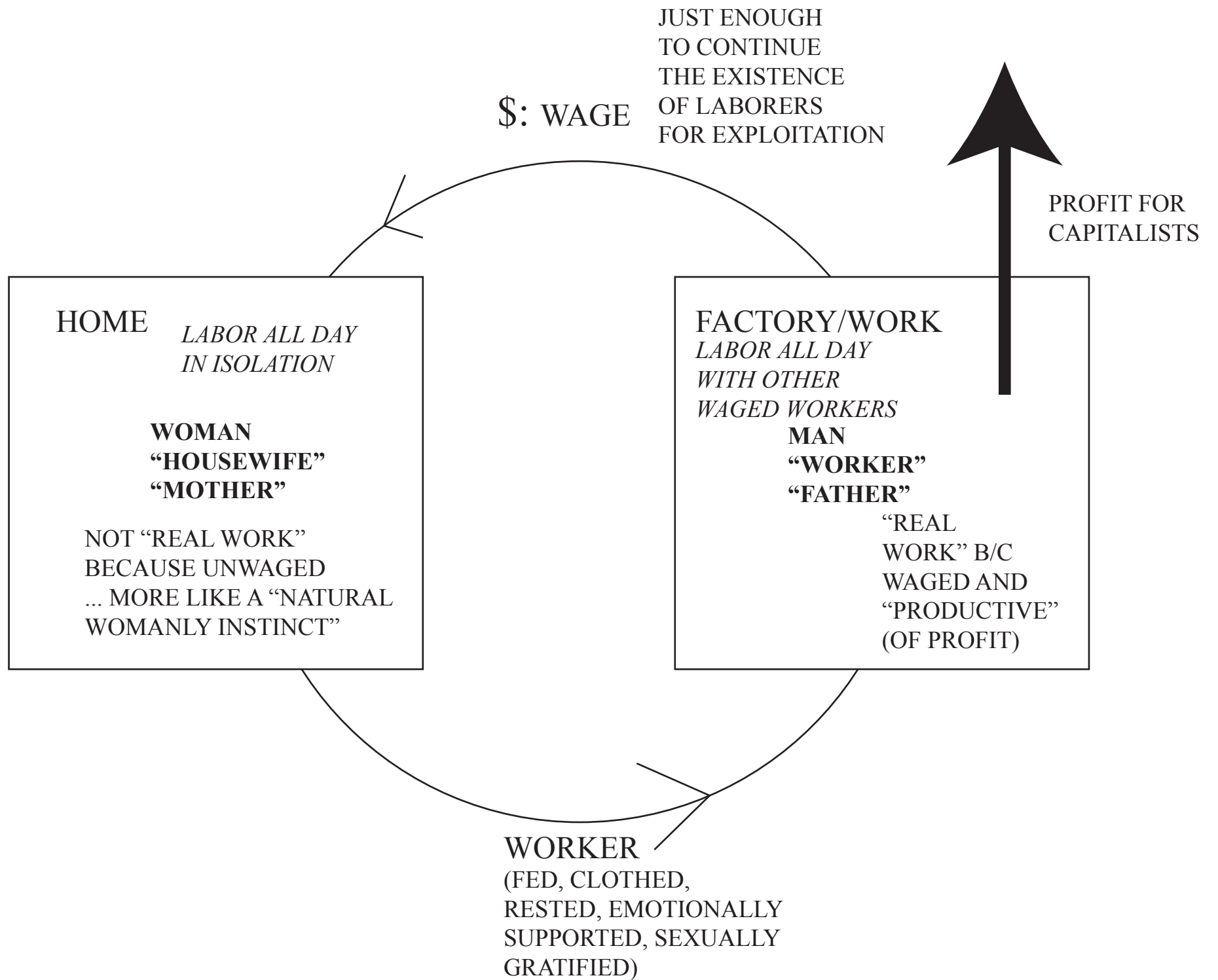


“PRODUCTION”  
ON THE BASIS OF  
WAGE LABOR...  
OF  
SURPLUS VALUE/  
PROFIT/  
CAPITAL

$\$4 > \$1 + \$2 + \$3 \dots$  ( $>$  sum of all expenses)  
= SURPLUS VALUE / PROFIT

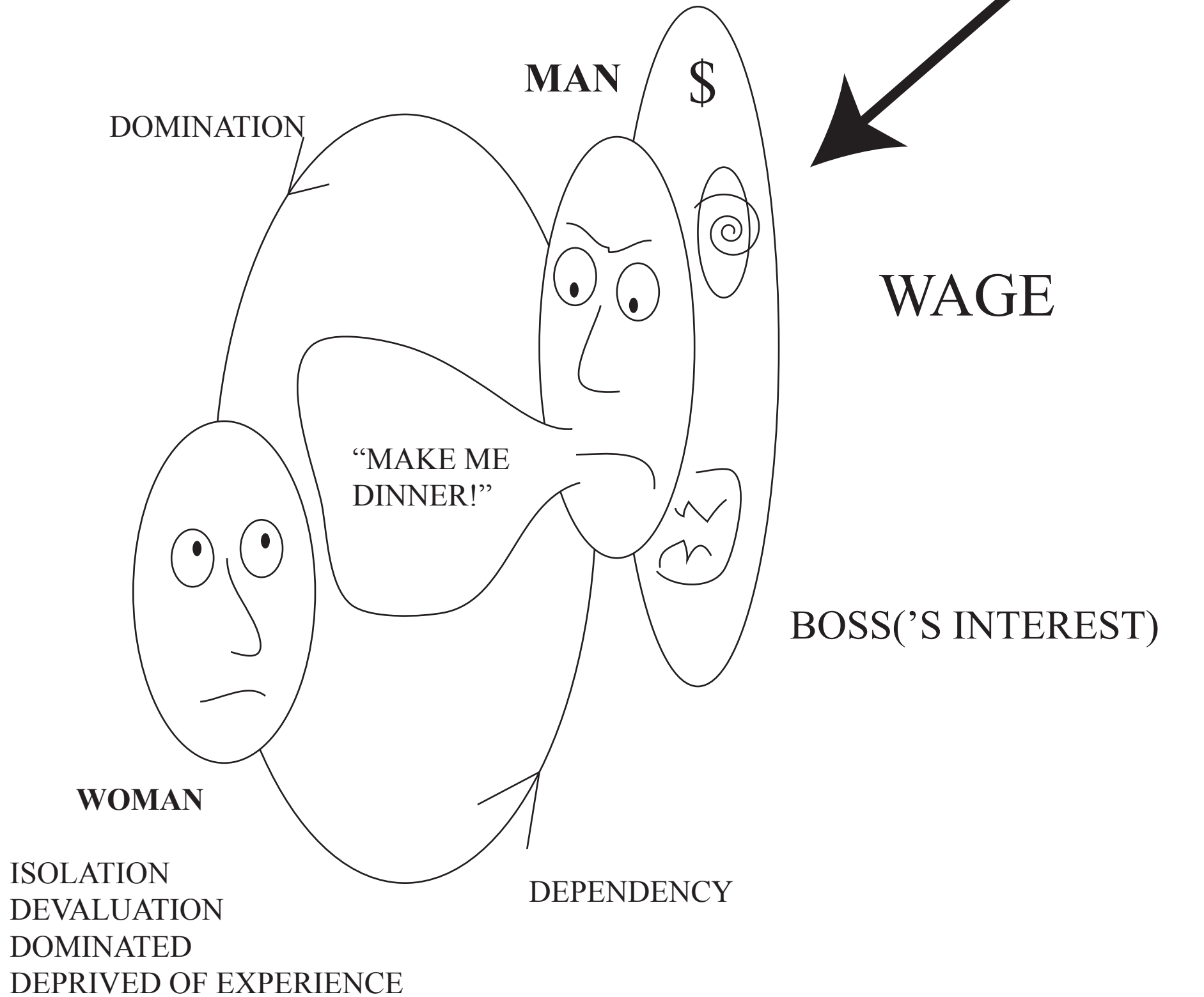


WAGE =  
COST OF REPRODUCTION OF WORKER  
+ WORKER'S FAMILY + CHILDREN  
(= COST OF REPRODUCTIVE LABOR + COST  
OF NEXT GENERATION OF LABOR)  
...--> INCOME GOES TO OTHER CAPITALISTS FOR  
RENT, FOOD, CLOTHING, TRANSPORTATION, ETC



HOME

THE MAN IS  
THE FACE OF  
THE BOSS  
AT HOME



# SCHOOL... A MACHINE FOR PRODUCING WORKERS

TEACHER =  
"MORAL POLICE"

(THE TEACHER  
IS THE FACE OF THE BOSS  
AT SCHOOL!)

CAPITALISM IS THE ONLY SYSTEM THAT WORKS!  
FREEDOM MEANS "FREE TRADE"!  
GOOD PEOPLE DO THEIR WORK WITHOUT COMPLAINING!  
GOOD PEOPLE DO AS THEY'RE TOLD!  
THE EXPERTS KNOW BETTER!  
AMERICA IS THE GREATEST COUNTRY!  
NOBODY HAS EVER HAD IT THIS GOOD!  
SHUT UP AND BE QUIET!  
STOP FIDGETING!  
PAY ATTENTION!  
BOSSSES ARE BOSSSES BECAUSE THEY'RE  
BETTER!

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BOSS('S INTEREST)

STUDENTS

HOME

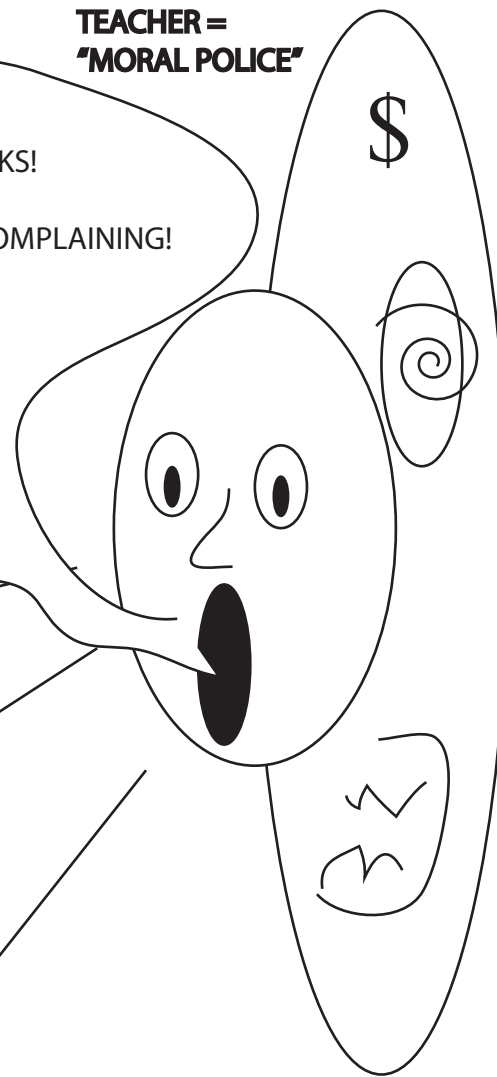
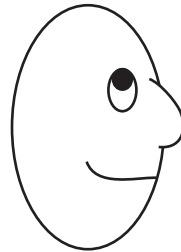
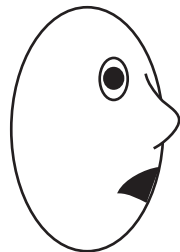
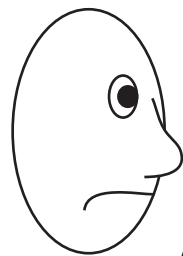
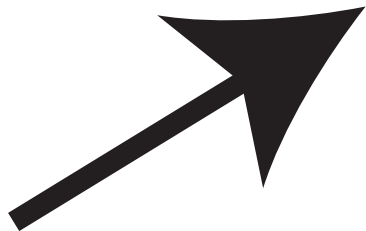
## SCHOOL:

1. CONDITIONS CHILDREN AGAINST "CRIME"  
(=: "WORKING CLASS REAPPROPRIATION IN THE  
COMMUNITY")
2. DESTROYS THE "MOB" (=: "WORKING CLASS  
ORGANIZATION BASED ON THE FAMILY")
3. HABITUATES TO  
REGULAR ATTENDANCE  
GOOD TIMEKEEPING  
ETC
4. \*STRATIFIES THE WORKING CLASS  
(THEREBY WEAKENING IT AND INCREASING ITS  
COMMENSURABILITY WITH SURPLUS-VALUE  
PRODUCTION) BY GRADING AND SELECTION

FUTURE WORKERS  
LEARNING TO  
SHUT UP AND  
WORK  
ATTENTIVELY  
WIITHOUT  
COMPLAINING

FUTURE MANAGEMENT!  
WILL BE ABLE TO  
TELL OTHER PEOPLE  
WHAT TO DO  
WHILE BEING  
EXPLOITED  
THEMSELVES!  
"SUCCESS"!

FACTORY



THEREFORE

THOUGH TRADITIONAL UNIONIST ANTI-CAPITALIST, ANTI-EXPLOITATIVE STRUGGLE HAS BEEN BASED IN THE FACTORY (ORGANIZED WORKERS CAN STRIKE, HALTING PRODUCTION AND THEREBY IMPEDING CAPITAL ACCUMULATION... PRODUCING A CRISIS FOR THE BOSS... AND CAUSING THE BOSS TO NEGOTIATE AND MAKE COMPROMISES)

... JAMES AND DALLACOSTA'S POINT IS THAT

ALL THESE LOCATIONS ARE SITES OF STRUGGLE (HOME, FACTORY, SCHOOL) STRUGGLE OCCURS BETWEEN MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN IN THE HOME STRUGGLE OCCURS BETWEEN CHILDREN AND TEACHERS IN THE SCHOOL AS WELL AS STRUGGLE OCCURRING IN THE FACTORY...

... AND A BROADER OR MORE ABSTRACT POINT IS THAT

THE PROFIT OF THE CAPITALIST DOES STEM FROM THE EXPLOITATION OF WAGED WORKERS, YES

BUT IT ALSO STEMS FROM THE EXPLOITATION OF WOMEN IN THE HOME ...WITHOUT WOMEN TO REPRODUCE LABOR, THERE'D BE NO LABOR, AND HENCE NO PROFIT

AND IT ALSO STEMS FROM THE AUTHORITARIAN PROGRAMMING OF CHILDREN IN THE SCHOOLS

...WITHOUT SCHOOL, THERE'D BE NO PRODUCTION OF THE NEXT GENERATION OF LABOR, SUITED TO CONTEMPORARY WORK

## REMEMBER OUR FRAMEWORK

--We're looking at the ways that values, social roles and "identities" in the U.S. have been constructed historically.

--Today, together with Falludi's text from last week, we're considering how "woman" has been constructed as passive, maternal, domestic...

--And we're also asking about whether we wish to embrace these values and these identities...

--And there's also that background question still going on: *is it right to CRITICIZE the system* of which we're apart? Doesn't this make us bad or negative people? Grumps? Complainers?

--Should we be "good" students, "good" workers, "good" women, and shut up? If we have nothing nice to say should we say nothing at all?

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Do you think this analysis is too harsh?
- Is capitalism based on the exploitation of labor?
- Does "capitalism destroy community"?  
What's more important, community or wealth?
- Should social relations be broken in order to "advance the economy"?
- Is it possible to have *other* social relations, or an *other* economic system?
- Should we shut up, because we're not experts?
- Is a certain degree or title required before one should comment on social relations or the economy?
- Is it utopian to desire the re-building of community and social relations?
- Should we struggle against capitalism?
- Is this all just a done deal? Can't do anything about it? Better (shut up and) just pursue "success"?
- *Who's idea of success* should we pursue?
- *Who's values* should we embrace?