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STATION 1

1. What is Communism?

A system by which one small group seeks to rule the world.

2. Then how do the Communists try to get control?

Legally or illegally, through CONSPIRACY and FORCE, any way they can. Communism's first big victory was through bloody revolution. Every one since has been by military conquest, or internal corruption, or the threat of these.

3. What would happen if Communism should come into power in this country?

Our capital would move from Washington to Moscow. Every man, woman, and child would come under Communist discipline.

4. Would I be better off than I am now?

No. And the following answers show why.

5. Could I belong to a union?

Under Communism, all labor unions are run by the Government...Unions couldn't help you get higher pay, shorter hours or better working conditions. They would only be used by the Communists to help keep you down.

6. Could I go to school?

You could go to the kind of school the Communists tell you to, AND NOWHERE ELSE. You could go as long as they let you AND NO LONGER. You could read ONLY what the Communists let you; hear only what they let you, and as far as they could manage, you would KNOW only what they let you.

7. Could I own my own farm?

No. You would farm the land under orders and you could not make any decisions as to when or where you would sell the produce of your work, or for how much.

8. Could I own my own house?

No. Under Communism, all real estate in the city as well as the country belongs to the government, which is in turn run by the Communists.

9. What would happen to my insurance?

The Communists would take it over.

10. What would happen to my bank account?

All above a small sum would be confiscated. The rest would be controlled for you.

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11. Could I leave any property to my family when I die?

No, because you wouldn't have any to leave.

12. Could I travel around the country as I please?

No. You would have to get police permission for every move you make, if you could get it.

13. Could I start up a business and hire people to work for me?

To do so would be a crime for which you would be SEVERELY punished.

14. I am a teacher. Could I teach what I please with "academic freedom"?

You would teach only what the Communists authorize you to teach. You would be asking for jail or death to try anything else.

15. Could I do scientific research free of governmental interference and restrictions?

Police and spies would watch your every move. You would be liquidated on the slightest suspicion of doing ANYTHING contrary to orders.

16. Could I have friends of my own choice as I do now?

No, except those approved by the Communists in charge of your life from cradle to grave.

17. Could I travel abroad or marry a foreigner?

You could do nothing of that sort except with permission of the Communists.

18. Could I exchange letters with friends in other countries?

With the police reading your mail, you could try—once.

19. But doesn't Communism promise poor people a better life?

Promising more than you can deliver is an old trick in the history of the human race. Compare Communism's promises with Communism's performances in countries where it has come to power.

20. What is Communism?

A conspiracy to conquer and rule the world by any means, legal or illegal, in peace or in war.

21. Is it aimed at me?

Right between your eyes.

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22. What do the Communists want?

To rule your mind and your body from the cradle to the grave.

23. Are you joking?

Look at the world today and see if the people of Europe and Asia have anything to laugh about, now that Communism has captured so many of them.

24. If Communism should conquer America, what would happen to the schools?

Real education would stop. Only training would be allowed.

25. What's the difference?

All the difference there is between freedom and jail.

26. What are some differences between Communist promise and Communist performance?

When it is agitating for power, Communism promises more money for less work and security against war and poverty. In practice, it has not delivered any of this, ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD.

27. But don't the Communists promise an end to racial and religious intolerance?

Yes, but in practice they have murdered millions for being religious and for belonging to a particular class. Your beliefs could get you killed.

28. Why shouldn't I turn Communist? You know what the United States is like today.

If you want it exactly the opposite, you SHOULD turn Communist. But before you do, remember you will lose your independence, your property, and your freedom of mind. You will gain only a risky membership in a conspiracy which is ruthless, godless, and crushing upon all except a very few at the top.

29. Which countries are Communist controlled or governed?

It has plans to seize every other country including the United States.

30. Where are their headquarters in the United States, and who is in charge?

Headquarters are at 35 East Twelfth Street, New York City. William Z. Foster, of 1040 Melton Avenue, New York City, has the title of "Chairman of the Communist Party of the United States,".

31. How can a Communist be identified?

It is easy. Ask him to name ten things wrong with the United States. Then ask him to name two things wrong with Russia. His answers will show him to even to a child. Communists will denounce the President of the United States but they will NEVER denounce Stalin.

32. What do Communists call those who criticize them?

"Red baiters," "Witch hunters," "Fascists." These are just three out of a tremendous stock of abusive labels Communists attempt to smear on anybody who challenges them.

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STATION 4

33. What is the difference in fact between a Communist and a fascist?

None worth noticing.

34. What States have barred the Communist Party from the ballot?

At this time: Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kansas, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Tennessee, and Wisconsin.

35. If Communism should come to the United States, could I belong to a church?

In Russia, the Communists have for thirty years tried every way they could to destroy religion. You would have to choose at once between church and Communism. If you should choose the church, then prepare for persecution.

36. Would the Communists destroy the Bible?

EVERY copy they could find. And they would jail anybody trying to print new copies.

37. Could I be married in the church?

Not legally.

38. Could my funeral be held in the church?

Not legally.

39. Could my child be baptized or christened in the church?

At the risk of prison for parent and pastor.

40. Would my child go to Sunday school?

Not only would Sunday school be illegal, but also your child would be taught to report you to the police for trying to send him.

41. What about missionary work?

Illegal. Forbidden.

42. What was Marx's idea of a Communist world?

That the world as we know it MUST BE DESTROYED—religion, family, laws, rights, everything. Anybody opposing was to be destroyed, too.

43. What was his idea of morality and family?

That ANYTHING is moral—even lying, stealing, and murder—if it brings on Communism. That there is no need to fear God because He does not exist. Marx had the idea that people could never be happy, have enough to eat, make enough money, or have success in the kind of world we know. The U. S. A. is LIVING PROOF that he was as wrong as a man can be.

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44. Was Marx crazy?

Perhaps. But Marx was not the first evil and crazy man to start a terrible world upheaval, nor was he the last. Hitler was like that, too, but look at what he did.

45. Why do any people fall for their line?

They promise all the things that people have always sought—an easier life, an end to trouble.

46. Do they deliver?

Of course not. Once they get in control, they reduce a nation to HORROR and SLAVERY.

47. Are Communists really against education?

Yes, but don't take our word for it. Take theirs. The details here following are all from their own stuff.

48. What do they say?

Here's a quote from Lenin, founder of the Soviet state: "Give us the child for 8 years and it will be a Bolshevik forever."

49. Do any teachers in our schools actually submit to such a Communist dictatorship?

Communist professors and teachers play an important part in the broad-scale campaign to convert our youth to Stalinism.

50. How do they work?

By slipping propaganda into classroom work and textbooks and by leading gullible students into Red-sponsored campus activities.

51. What is the Lenin School?

The highest college of Communist training. You might say its graduates are all Ph. D.'s of Communism.

52. Where is it located?

Moscow, Russia.

53. What goes on there?

Carefully selected Communists from the United States and other countries get a free course in factory sabotage, bomb-making, kidnaping, train-wrecking, mutiny, civil warfare, espionage, infiltration, and other methods of wrecking a country.

54. How many Americans are Lenin School "graduates"?

An estimated 800 American Communists have been trained there and returned to the United States. They serve as the high officers of a secret army now being drilled to overthrow our Government.

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55. Are Communists very active in teachers' unions?

Yes. For instance, the American Federation of Teachers (AFL) in 1941 expelled three of its New York City teachers' unions, with 8,000 members, because the locals were Communist-controlled.

56. Do many of our teachers play the Communist game?

The files of our Committee show that the Communists have always found the teaching group the easiest touch of all the professional classes.

57. If they should get control what would happen to my union?

It would be wiped out as a union—contract, treasury, constitution, and all. Instead of the union being your agent to bargain a contract for your wages and working conditions, it would become part of the Communist power over you.

58. Couldn't we just strike, as we do now, for better conditions or higher pay?

Not a chance.

59. Why not?

Because the Government, instead of stepping in to protect your right to strike, would send soldiers around with guns, to kill you.

60. Kill ME, personally?

To kill you, PERSONALLY.

61. Are there any Communists in our Government now?

We hate to say it, but nobody knows whether there are 3 or 3,000, even though \$17 million have been spent by the President in the last two years to find out.

62. Well, what do they want?

To capture our Government any way they can, in order to use it against us.

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STATION 7

63. Why do Communists want to upset things?

Communists believe in Communism. NOTHING else. They mean to enslave the world under Communist command.

64. What's the secret of their success?

The carelessness and indifference of other people.

65. How do you mean?

Communism is a terrible international organization of spies, wreckers of civilization, and destroyers of nations. It is directed and managed as a WORLD ARMY from the city of Moscow, Russia. Communists in every country are strictly disciplined, closely organized Russian agents.

66. Are Communists in this country part of this world movement?

Not "movement." The right word is "conspiracy." All Communists, everywhere, are a part of it. Everyone is an agent of Moscow working for the capture of the world.

67. Well, supposing they win here, what happens?

The Constitution will go. The free American Republic will be dead.

68. Would we have a President as we have today?

No.

69. Would we have a Supreme Court?

No.

70. Would we have a Congress?

No.

71. How about the State, county, and city Governments?

Gone.

72. Well, how would the Government be run?

By one man, the top U. S. Communist. He would be our President, Congress, Supreme Court, and everything else, all rolled into one. And even HE would only be an office boy for one man in Moscow—STALIN.

73. And you say some Communists have sneaked into our Government, as it is today?

Yes. And we repeat, nobody knows how many.

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STATION 8

74. What is a spy?

A person employed by or in the service of a foreign government to secure information considered vital to the waging of a shooting or economic war against another country.

75. Will you find them in America?

Yes.

76. Why do the Russians continue to spy on us?

The aim of the rulers of Russia is to take over the United States along with the rest of the world. Her spies are here to pave the way for a Soviet America.

77. Who serve as the actual thieves for these spy rings?

Self-styled "loyal" AMERICANS, believe it or not.

78. You mean an American would actually betray his own country to help Soviet Russia?

We have confessions to prove it.

79. But what kind of people can they be?

Treasonable creatures who enjoy the privileges of American citizenship and talk loudly about their loyalty, but all the time are REALLY loyal only to Russia. This boils down to Communist Party members and their sympathizers.

80. Are all Communists spies?

Yes, in one sense, for it is every Communist's duty to report anything he learns that might help the Soviet Union.

81. Would anyone but a fool be willing to spy for Russia?

No. But you'll find "fools" in pretty HIGH places. They may be scientists, lawyers, professors, writers. Government career workers, and even successful businessmen who have been filled with Communist poison.

82. What can I do?

FIRST, know the facts.

SECOND, work in your own community to get rid of Communists and Communist influences.

THIRD, be prepared to face accusations of "witch-hunting," "Red-baiting," "textbook burning," and "strangling academic freedom." These are all standard smears in the Communist propaganda routine.

ABOVE ALL, remember that whatever you do you must always keep the Constitution of the United States in one hand and common sense in the other. The object here is NOT to destroy academic freedom. It is to STOP COMMUNISM before it destroys us. The Communists CAN be stopped under our system of laws and MUST be.

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Procedure:

1. Divide class in half.
 - a. **Government Officials:** These are congressional members of HUAC. They are sitting at stations on the outside of the circle. They respond to the questions of the civilians. Members of the pair will answer all odd or even questions.
 - b. **Civilians:** Civilians rotate when directed on worksheet. Members of the pair will ask all odd or even questions. Civilians should take notes on the information given to them by the government officials.
 - c. There will be 8 stations. There should be at least one government official at every station.
2. Before starting, take the government officials out in the hall to remind them to be as persuasive as possible and sign a loyalty oath. Remind the civilians that communism is everywhere (Rosenbergs)