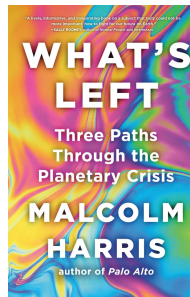


Concept Document and Calendar: What's Left Green New Deal Reading Group
Metro DC Democratic Socialists of America, Fall 2025



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Notes, Questions, and Quotes Document: [= What's Left Notes/Discussion Doc](#)

Signal Chat: [Link](#)

Summary: The What's Left Green New Deal Reading Group will meet on Monday nights in Fall 2025, with the purpose of reading and discussing the recent book by Malcom Harris and its analysis of different paths for confronting the climate crisis. The group will meet weekly in a virtual setting on Monday nights, with in-person social events around the DMV. No experience or knowledge level is required to join. Online text is available for all readings and will be provided below. The group will use a Notes document during and before meetings to gather members' thoughts and questions before and during each meeting and a Signal chat will be available for informal inquiries.

Blurb: In *What's Left*, Malcolm Harris cuts through the noise and gets real about our remaining options for saving the world. Just as humans have caused climate change, we hold the power to avert a climate apocalypse, but that will only happen through collective political action. Harris outlines the three strategies—progressive, socialist, and revolutionary—that have any chance of succeeding, while also revealing that none of them can succeed on their own. *What's Left* shows how we must combine them into a single pathway: a meta-strategy, one that will ensure we can move forward together rather than squabbling over potential solutions while the world burns.

Details: The group is based with Metro DC DSA's We Power Campaign and welcomes members from outside of the organization, including those who work in or are interested in action around climate change. The group will primarily consist of reading and then holding online meetings to discuss the different parts of the book, with a few in-person socials.

Structure: The group will have 2 coordinators that take responsibility for administrative elements of the group. The group will pass facilitation duties and other conversational responsibilities between members meeting-by-meeting unless the group determines otherwise.

Timeline and Location: The group is intended to start readings and discussion in late September. The group will meet ~every week until, with meetings held all or mostly online and with 2 dedicated group social meet ups.

Discussion and Notes Document forthcoming

Draft Calendar -all times at 7:30 pm unless modified. Social times/locations subject to change by group

Meeting #1 (Mon. September 22): Introductions and overview of Reading Group format, online

Meeting #2 (Mon. September 29): Discuss Introduction, Pages 3-29, online.

Meeting #3 (Mon. October 6): Discuss Part 1: Marketcraft, Pages 29-85, online.

Meeting #4 (Mon. October 13): Social @ Midlands, 6:30 pm.

Meeting #5 (Mon. October 20): Discuss Part 2: Public Power, Pages 85-137, online.

Meeting #6 (Mon. October 27): Discuss Part 3: Communism, Pages 137-193, online.

Meeting #7 (Mon. Nov 3): Discuss Part 4: The Planetary Crisis, Pages 193-233, online.

Meeting #8 (Mon. Nov 10): Social @ Lyman's, 6:30 pm.

Meeting #9 (Mon. Nov 17): Discuss Conclusion, Pages 233-265, online.

Meeting #10 (Mon. Nov 24): Final online meeting discussing the entire book (possibly a final in-person social?).