

Exercise #2

Opinion Poll on the Nature and Distribution of Power

Without consulting any text or reading, briefly respond to the following questions. Please send your answers to me via email and limit your answers to no more than one paragraph per question. **I will not return your answers so you must keep a copy because you will want to refer to these as we progress through the course.**

1. The major factor preventing subordinate persons from achieving what they want is lack of will or "will power".

strongly agree agree no opinion disagree strongly disagree

Expand on your opinion.

2. What is the difference between influencing others in a course of action and exercising power over others?

3. Inequalities of power derive from the organization of society, not from nature.

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Expand on your opinion.

4. Those who benefit from the distribution of power in American society have usually earned those benefits from hard work and achievement.

strongly agree agree no opinion disagree strongly disagree

Expand on your opinion.

5. The most important forms of power involve discipline and control of one's own behavior.

strongly agree agree no opinion disagree strongly disagree

Expand on your opinion.