

Instructions for Lecture Nine

Good evening Everyone!

So last time we took a scientific look at human nature with our exploration of Darwin's impact on politics, let's now head over to philosophy and check in with Jean Paul Sartre, one of the giants of 20th century thought (and let's not forget his most important collaborator, Simone de Beauvoir). Existentialism can be some pretty heavy philosophical lifting, but many say that their lives are irrevocably changed by exposure to it. Will it change anyone's life or attitude about human nature in our class? We shall see, yes....yes indeed. And hey, how 'bout those Republicans and Democrats? Can you just feel the excitement in the people as they try to decide for 2024?

Lecture 9. Political Parties and Sartre.

Task 1: Read these instructions.

Task 2: Read Heineman, Chapter 10 (pp. 121-136); and Stevenson, Chapter 11 (pp. 227-244).

Task 3: Watch the lecture presentation "Political Parties and Sartre." (don't ya just love these videos!?)

Task 4: Read the article for your journal response. You can find the question on the link titled "Lecture / Discussion Page" highlighted in yellow. After completing the response, you will have until the date posted on the assignments page to upload it to Canvas.

Task 5: Open the link for the video and watch. What does it actually mean to be "human" and to "exist," and to "lead an authentic life"? Deep stuff people.....

Task 6: Click the link titled "Discussion Board Question and Peer Responses for Video Presentation" and answer the question that I have posted in approximately one paragraph or so. Wait for other students to put their responses and then pick two students to respond to. The deadline for these responses will be posted on the Canvas assignments page. Don't be late....

OK my people, nothing to see here....keep moving.

I will see ya'll later for the next big thing...

Kropf

My girlfriend thinks I'm pretentious.

She walked in on me reading a book of existential philosophy and said, "Oh my god! Are you for real?!"

I was like, "That's what I'm trying to figure out."

@TheChrisSchmidt



I'm so Indie that I don't even like the bands I like cause then one person would like them and that would be too mainstream for me.

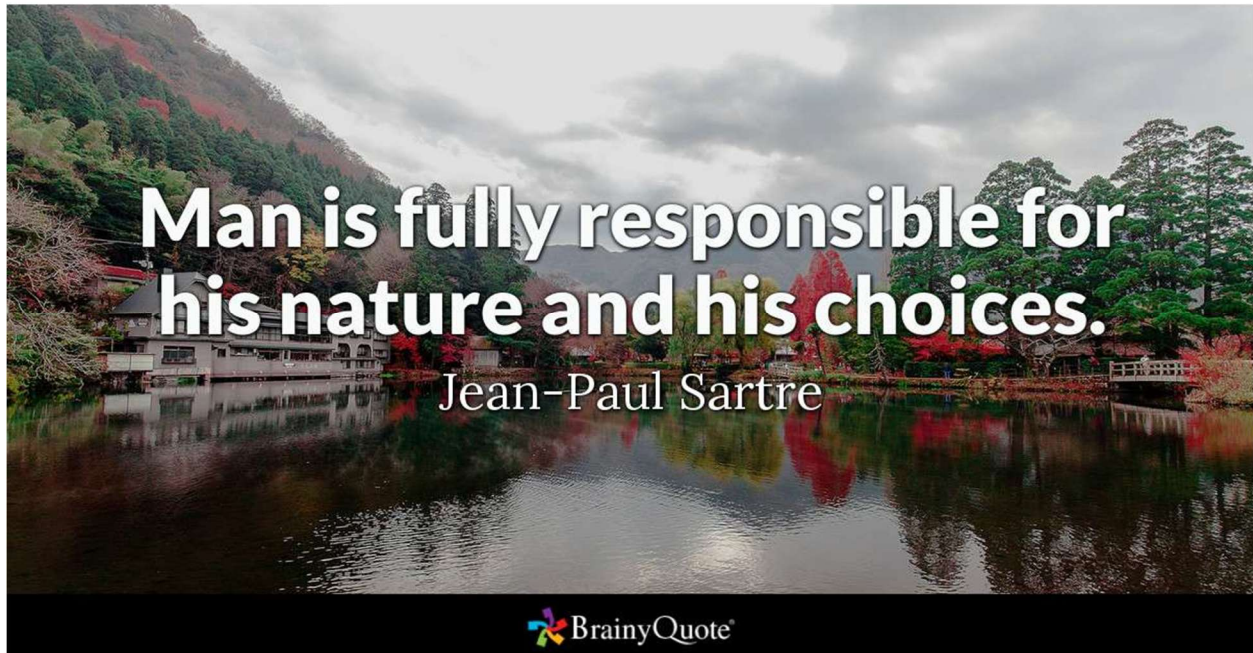


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POLSC 120 Introduction to Politics

Political Parties and Sartre

1. Heineman – Chapter 10: Political Parties, pp. 121 – 136.
2. Stevenson – Chapter 11: Sartre: Radical Freedom, pp. 227 – 244.



To Sartre, "bad faith," means people spare themselves from making choices or accepting the burden of responsibility, but ultimately makes us more miserable than any decision ever could.