

Mao Zedong's *Little Red Book*

"As communists we gain control with the power of the gun
and maintain control with the power of the pen."

--- Mao Zedong

Instructions: Imagine yourself a Chinese citizen during the Chinese Cultural Revolution. As you consider and paraphrase each of Mao's sayings taken from his *Little Red Book*, reflect on how these beliefs and rules might impact your life.

Every Communist must grasp the truth: "Political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

Restate, in your own words: _____

How might this belief impact your life as a Chinese citizen?

We must affirm anew the discipline of the Party, namely: (1) the individual is subordinate to the organization; (2) the minority is subordinate to the majority; (3) the lower level is subordinate to the higher level; and (4) the entire membership is subordinate to the Central Committee.

Whoever violates these articles of discipline disrupts Party unity.

Restate, in your own words: _____

How might this belief impact your life as a Chinese citizen?

Men and women must receive equal pay for equal work in production. Genuine equality between the sexes can only be realized in the process of the socialist transformation of society as a whole.

Restate, in your own words: _____

How might this belief impact your life as a Chinese citizen?
