

How to (want to) win

There are many ways to convince others of political action: biased, unbiased, persistent, suggestive, angry and calm. Making, bringing, speaking and listening to politics is a skill that lies deep within each of us. It is soundly engraved in the social nature of our cause. To fulfil a systemic change in our society, to fight a tory government, to ascend from a conservative to a socialist state, to ensure ourselves and others of hope; we want to organise ourselves independently and expand the scope of our political intent. To fight the ongoing normalisation of corrupt power structures, a sincere, whole-hearted approach and physical dedication are important, allowing a momentum that can be sustained.

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Critical context – from a personal, independent source – must be brought to the public in material form to diminish the status of corrupt media protagonists. It is the only way to fortify the truth to the ones who work through the daily struggles of surviving. Therefore, researching, writing and printing within the limited parameters that we carve out should be our way of doing. Throughout this making, we motivate each other and when we realise that more labour is needed, we ask for help. Our resistance becomes materialised as we orchestrate our physical confrontation, bringing our bodies to the streets to announce our firm belief in a revival of leftist policies and forthcoming change.

2.)

The origin of politics has historically been public and its debates should be carried out in public too. We want to challenge people's insistence on their political orientations being private matters. We have a right to speak freely, to live under the premise that everyone has a chance to agree or disagree with. Encouraging those who prefer to keep their political decision-making to themselves, we confront them openly and truthfully. We speak out on the subjects we care about, offering potential insights from unknown territories. To foster our ideals, we give those we speak to our full attention and listen carefully to what they have to say before we respond. Listening is a participatory skill that makes us lift our own attention. We throw ourselves actively into realities that need to be reinvented. The more we listen, the more we have the opportunity to reshape conservative, predictable agendas that have been brought to us by political authorities who lack genuine involvement in integrating the oppressed. Active - or even more so - critical listening is our chance for true solidarity: solidarity that teaches us how to listen to other voices and in doing so, reminds us how to make ourselves heard. In our willingness to listen, we commit to an idea of hope that goes beyond the superficiality of mass campaigning. Opposing neo-liberal attempts for pluralist, multicultural unity and in doing so, we open up how to stand together against the norm.

3.)

There are many that live in a state of closed-eyedness, disapproving of politicians and refraining from watching debates or reading the news. Their eyes were closed by the false narrators of journalism, or by the frustrations of unfulfilled promises in today's unjust delegation of daily politics. For not only do they suffer from closed-eyedness but from closed-heartedness altogether. They avoid another broken heart. They stop partaking in political action, even as minimal as going to the polling station every half-decade just a few steps away from their homes. To convince those of hope, we want to convey that closing your heart to politics won't make it unbroken ever again. So we bring all the knowledge we've gathered and printed, as much as we can carry, to everyone's door. And yes, our hearts may be broken again, and deeper. So what? Only in keeping our hearts open, a change can happen, even if slow.