

Prospectus #1

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Hidden Agenda of Work” shows that the working class and the “managerial class” receive educations that reinforce class differences. She claims that “public schools in complex industrial societies like our own make available different types of educational experiences and curriculum knowledge to students in different social classes.” The difference between the power of the forces needed to organize a culture -- especially class -- and the desire of individuals for the power to makes choices, is a conflict that cannot be resolved. However, understanding that conflict might shift the chances of individuals to escape the restrictions that class puts on their thinking.