

***Economics: A Christian Worldview – Short Films:***  
**“Marx’s Labor Exploitation Theory” and “But Who Gets the Profit?”**

**(TEACHER INSTRUCTIONS/KEY)**

**Purpose**

Students see and analyze two four-minute films that show the “capitalist” and Marxist views of profit.

**Time**

12-15 minutes

**Instructions**

1. Play the short film “Marx’s Labor Exploitation Theory” (3:42) for students:  
<https://youtu.be/jrm8EYMPD6Q>
2. Ask for students’ thoughts on the speaker’s views of profit. Are those whom business owners hire to do work really “exploited,” as the speaker claims?
3. Play the short film “But Who Gets the Profit?” (4:39) for students:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mYbambvmWMs>
4. Ask for students’ thoughts.
5. Ask: **What three factors do Marxists hide about those who start businesses and hire workers?**  
Answer: (a) the idea for the business, which is the only reason the job for the worker exists, (b) the organization of the business, and (c) the risk of going bankrupt and losing everything if the business fails.
6. Ask: **Why do you think that people like Richard Wolff (the speaker in the first video) leave those three factors out when they talk about “exploiting” workers?**