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**Essential Question** What is "order," and how much control is necessary to maintain it?  
**Text Question** According to Niccolo Machiavelli (Italian philosopher during the 1400s and 1500s), what is "order," and how much control should rulers establish to keep order?

**The Prince**

Niccolo Machiavelli

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**Of Cruelty and Clemency, and Whether It Is Better to Be Loved or Feared**

I say that every prince must desire to be considered merciful and not cruel. He must, however, take care not to misuse this mercifulness. Cesare Borgia was considered cruel, but his cruelty had brought order to the Romagna, united it, and reduced it to peace and fealty. A prince, therefore, must not mind incurring the charge of cruelty for the purpose of keeping his subjects united and faithful; for, with a very few examples, he will be more merciful than those who, from excess of tenderness, allow disorders to arise, from whence spring bloodshed and rapine; for these as a rule injure the whole community, while the executions carried out by the prince injure only individuals...

Teacher does it.

Small group does it.

From this arises the question whether it is better to be loved more than feared, or feared more than loved. The reply is that one ought to be both feared and loved, but as it is difficult for the two to go together, it is much safer to be feared than loved... For love is held by a chain of obligation which, men being selfish, is broken whenever it serves their purpose; but fear is maintained by a dread of punishment which never fails.

**Summaries of Main Ideas**  
(in your own words)

**Central Idea:**

*Rulers should be mean and violent in order to keep people in check.*

**Evidence (and explanation):**

*"Cruelty had brought order." (Being mean keeps people in line.)*

*"Prince must not mind incurring the charge of cruelty." (Got to be willing to use violence)*

**Central Idea:**

**Evidence (and explanation):**

Summaries of Main Ideas  
(in your own words)

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**In What Way Princes Must Keep the Faith**

You must know, then, that there are two methods of fighting, the one by law, the other by force: the first method is that of men, the second of beasts; but as the first method is often insufficient, one must have recourse to the second. It is therefore necessary for a prince to know well how to use both the beast and the man. This was covertly taught to rulers by ancient writers, who relate how Achilles and many others of those ancient princes were given to Chiron the centaur to be brought up and educated under his discipline. The parable of this semi-animal, semi-human teacher is meant to indicate that a prince must know how to use both natures, and that the one without the other is not durable.

Central Idea:

Evidence (and explanation):

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Central Idea:

Evidence from text:

A prince being thus obliged to know well how to act as a beast must imitate the fox and the lion, for the lion cannot protect himself from traps, and the fox cannot defend himself from wolves. One must therefore be a fox to recognize traps, and a lion to frighten wolves. Those that wish to be only lions do not understand this. Therefore, a prudent ruler ought not to keep faith when by so doing it would be against his interest, and when the reasons which made him bind himself no longer exist. If men were all good, this precept would not be a good one; but as they are bad, and would not observe their faith with you, so you are not bound to keep faith with them.

Small group does it.

YOU try it by YOURSELF.

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## INTRO TASK: Inferences and Evidence via Tupac

Directions Use the Tupac lyrics (song: "Changes") to help you answer the following questions.

1. \_\_\_\_ "I'm tired of bein' poor, and even worse, I'm black." [st. 1, ln. 4]. From this line, one may infer that Tupac believes that
  - a. money solves all problems.
  - b. one's future is impacted more greatly by economic class than by racial identity.
  - c. poor whites live easier lives than rich blacks.
  - d. being black means being poor.
2. \_\_\_\_ There is evidence in the first stanza to support all of these inferences except:
  - a. Tupac suspects that law-enforcement introduced cocaine to black communities intentionally.
  - b. There is an evil that is tearing the black community apart -- not cops so much, but drugs.
  - c. Thoughts of suicide and depression are not uncommon in poor black communities.
  - d. Healing must begin with blacks and whites coming together as brothers.
3. \_\_\_\_ From lines 4-6 in stanza 2, one may infer that Tupac believes America could become "one better place" [ln. 3] if its communities were
  - a. less racist
  - b. sober
  - c. less armed
  - d. more religious
4. \_\_\_\_ Which line from stanza 2 gives evidence that Tupac believes prison is the only true place where blacks and whites share community with each other?
  - a. "Misplaced hate makes disgrace to races"
  - b. "Cause both black and white are smokin' crack tonight"
  - c. "The only time we chill is when we kill each other"
  - d. "Try to show another way, but they stayin' in the dope game"
5. \_\_\_\_ One can infer from stanza 2 that Tupac sees
  - a. more black families run by women than men
  - b. more black families run by men than women
  - c. more black businesses run by women than men
  - d. more black businesses run by men than women
6. \_\_\_\_ One can infer from the end of stanza 2 and the beginning of stanza 3 that
  - a. economic desperation fuels the drug trade in black communities.
  - b. a lack of education keeps black men from being successful.
  - c. the police are afraid to go into black communities.
  - d. the government is correctly addressing the root cause of the problems that plague black cities.
7. \_\_\_\_ "But now I'm back with the facts, givin' 'em back to you." [st. 3, ln. 6]. One can infer from this line that Tupac believes the purpose of this song is to
  - a. entertain
  - b. persuade
  - c. inform
  - d. ease pain
8. \_\_\_\_ One can infer that the central idea of Tupac's song is that
  - a. blacks need to remain armed in order to protect themselves from the forces of racism.
  - b. for healing to occur, things must be done differently both at the state-level and at the street-level.
  - c. white America needs to take ownership of its racism in order to set a new course for the country.
  - d. blacks need to abandon Huey Newton's tactics because they just lead to bloodshed.

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Literacy: Annotating, inferring ideas, citing evidence

**EXIT TASK:**

**Essential questions and critical thinking**

Directions

Answer the following 3 questions, making sense of the ideas voiced by Tupac and Machiavelli.

1. What would Machiavelli say is the tragic flaw of humanity? Why is it a flaw? And how should people in authority/power respond?
2. Why do you think Machiavelli's arguments would appeal to Tupac?
3. What do you think Machiavelli would say about Tupac's album title, *Me Against the World*?