BBC’s Masters of Money 3: Marx and Marxism

1. Who did Marx divide the world into?
2. What causes the crises between workers and bosses?
3. According to Marx, why don’t people have money today?
4. What was the power that was driving capitalism towards collapse?
5. In what country was Marx born?
6. What kind of job did Marx have by 1842?
7. What did Marx say that capitalism’s constant need for profit would be a recipe for?
8. What is the most “surprisingly thing” in Marx’s writing about capitalism?
9. What did Marx believe that the pursuit of profit would lead to?
10. What did Marx believe about wages?
11. What do the workers want for wages?
12. What do the bosses want for wages?
13. Who did the Reagan and Thatcher governments work for, according to Marxists?
14. According to Marxists, who “won” in the 1980s?
15. What is the most significant factor in reducing worker’s wages?
16. According to Marxists, why would workers having such low wages be bad for the economy?
17. What happened when the banker suggested that Karl Marx might be useful in solving the current economic crisis?
18. How does the narrator seem to feel about the Soviet Union?
19. Do you think that Marx’s belief that capitalism was “inherently unstable” is true? Why/why not?