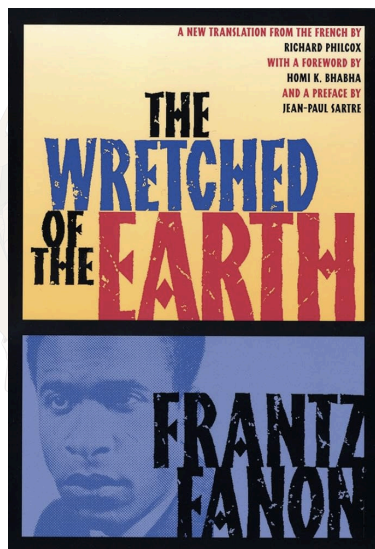


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"The colonized subject thus discovers his life, his breathing and his heartbeats are the same as the colonist's. He discovers that the skin of a colonist is not worth more than the 'native's.' in other words, his world receives a fundamental jolt. **The colonized's revolutionary new assurance stems from this.** If in fact, **my life is worth as much as the colonist's**, his look can no longer strike fear into me or nail me to the spot and his voice can no longer petrify me. I am no longer uneasy in his presence. In reality, to hell with him. **Not only does his presence no longer bother me, but I am already preparing to waylay him in such a way that soon he will have no other solution but to flee."**

Excerpt from *The Wretched of the Earth* by Frantz Fanon, page 10

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"At the individual level, violence is a cleansing force. It rids the colonized of their inferiority complex, of their passive and despairing attitude. It emboldens them, and restores their self-confidence. **Even if the armed struggle has been symbolic, and even if they have been demobilized by rapid decolonization, the people have time to realize that liberation was the achievement of each and every one and no special merit should go to the leader. Violence hoists the people up to the level of the leader.** Hence their aggressive tendency to distrust the system of protocol that young governments are quick to establish. **When they have used violence to achieve national liberation, the masses allow nobody to come forward as 'liberator.'"**

Excerpt from *The Wretched of the Earth* by Frantz Fanon, page 51-52

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"All this obviously the people are politically educated. Previously the need to clarify such a paramount issue once and for all would have been recognized. Today the principle of education the masses politically is generally taken for granted in the underdeveloped countries. But it is apparent that this basic task is not being honestly addressed. The decision to politicize the people implies that the regime expects to make popular support a condition for any action undertaken."

Excerpt from *The Wretched of the Earth* by Frantz Fanon, page 124

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"Each generation must discover its mission, fulfill it or betray it, in relative opacity. In the underdeveloped countries preceding generations have simultaneously resisted the insidious agenda of colonialism and paved the way for the emergence of the current struggles. Now that we are in the heat of combat, we must shed the habit of decrying the efforts of our forefathers or feigning incomprehension at their best they could with the weapons they possessed at the time, and if throughout the international arena, the reason should be attributed not so much to a lack of heroism but to a fundamentally different international situation."

Excerpt from *The Wretched of the Earth* by Frantz Fanon, pages 145-146

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"Fighting for the freedom of one's people is not the only necessity. As long as the fight goes on you must reenergize not only the people but also, and above all, yourself on the full measure of man. You must retrace the paths of history, the history of man damned by other men, and initiate, bring about, the encounter between your own people and others. In fact the aim of the militant engaged in the armed combat, in a national struggle, is to assess the daily humiliations inflicted on man by colonial oppression. The militant sometimes has the grueling impression he has to drag his people back, up from the pit and out of the cave. The militant very often realizes that not only must he hunt down the enemy forces but also the core of despair crystallized in the body of the colonized."

Excerpt from *The Wretched of the Earth* by Frantz Fanon, page 219

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"The nationalist militant who fled the town, revolted by the demagogic and reformist maneuvers of the leaders, and disillusioned by 'politics,' discovers in the field a new political orientation which in no way resembles the old. This new politics is in the hands of cadres and leaders working with the tide of history who use their muscles and their brains to lead the struggle for liberation. It is national, revolutionary, and collective. This new reality, which the colonized are now exposed to, exists by action alone. By exploding the former colonial reality the struggle uncovers unknown facets, brings to light new meanings and underline contradictions which were camouflaged by this reality."

Excerpt from *The Wretched of the Earth* by Frantz Fanon, pages 95-96

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