

YOU SHOULD FEEL WHAT I FEEL YOU SHOULD TAKE WHAT I TAKE

In the spirit of March Madness, New York Fucking City announces a competitive occupation tournament to be enjoyed by all the gravediggers of the old world. It's already started, the crisis is here and the time is right to tear it all down. We'll call it The Thing; the shit is real.

HOW TO PLAY

Step 1: Look for existing conflicts in your area: a tuition increase, a fare hike, foreclosures, mass layoffs, etc. -exploit the tension. Or start from a need; do people need space to organize from, meet new people outside of the same old scene, or just hold parties?

Step 2: Take space, transform its uses, and make it a staging ground for further action. Occupy a university building, abandoned building, or workplace...shit, it's 2009: seize a condo; occupy in style!

Step 3: Wild out!

HOW TO GAIN POINTS:

- Restyle the interior and exterior with diligence (5pts)
- Exhibit great care in the manufacture of beautiful banners (10pts)
- Write thoughtful communiqués that carefully explain how the tiger claw of the active minority coincides with the objective struggle of the proletariat against capital (10pts)
- Build actual barricades, not embarrassing lines of chairs (10pts)
- Transform the uses of the space (20pts)
- Expand the field of action by seizing more territory and taking more buildings (100pts)
- Experiment with other forms of social subversion, introducing workplace sabotage and auto-reduction into everyday life. Food Not Bombs ends and proletarian shopping begins! (150pts)
- Generalize the conflict by superseding the immediate "issue," building lines of solidarity, disintegrating identities, and ripping open the fabric of capitalist time (200pts)
- Create new forms of life through communization (Unlimited Human Strike!)

HOW TO LOSE POINTS:

- Write banal communiqués (-10pts)
- Make shoddy banners (-10pts)
- Wear college sweatpants. OMG WTF! (-10pts)
- Dumpster slogans, chants or fashion from the 1960s. Honestly! (-25pts)
- Use demands as simply a means to an end (-50pts)
- End the occupation in a shameful way (-100pts)
- Undertake actions that fail to rupture the facade of normalcy (-100pts)
- Bureaucratize the occupation by forming subcommittees, creating posts, and holding endless meetings (-200pts)
- Reproduce commodity relations (Total Disqualification!)

**ABSTINENCE FROM THIS
COMPETITION WOULD
BE INTENSE AND
COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY.
DON'T BE A BABY!**

**To the utter fucking impossibility of the continuation
of capitalism for even another fucking second,
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