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Q2(a)

What is the Marxist and liberal approach towards the state? On what grounds the theoretical differences between them are premised? Explain

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Theories of the State: Liberal, Neo-liberal, Marxist, Pluralist, Post-colonial and feminist.

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Locke

The state is a trust to protect life, liberty, and property; power without law is not civil government.

Lenin

The State and Revolution argues that the bourgeois state machine must be broken, not merely staffed by socialists.

Gramsci

In the West, domination works through hegemony in civil society as well as through the coercive state apparatus.

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