Mao Zedong's Little Red Book

## "As communists we gain control with the power of the gun and maintain control with the power of the pen." --- Mao Zedong

<u>Instructions</u>: Imagine yourself a Chinese citizen during the Chinese Cultural Revolution. As you consider and paraphrase each of Mao's sayings taken from his *Little Red Book*, reflect on how these beliefs and rules might impact your life.

How should we judge whether a youth is a revolutionary? How can we tell? There can only be one criterion, namely, whether or not he is willing to integrate himself with the broad masses of workers and peasants and does so in practice.

Restate, in your own words:

How might this belief impact your life as a Chinese citizen?

The Three Main Rules of Discipline are as follows: (1) Obey orders in all your actions. (2) Do not take a single needle piece of thread from the masses. (3) Turn in everything captured.

Restate, in your own words:

How might this belief impact your life as a Chinese citizen?

Enable every woman who can work to take her place on the labor front, under the principle of equal pay for equal work. This should be done as quickly as possible.

Restate, in your own words:

How might this belief impact your life as a Chinese citizen?