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C&T Notes—Sun-zi (12/1)

Lempa Writes the Following:

JJ3 (8, 9)-5 Laws of Winning

JJ9(10)-False Info

JJ7(14)-Cost of War

JJ3(13)-Legalism

JJ2(3)-5 Factors

JJ9(13)-Secret Agent Usage

JJ8(5)-Secret Agents

JJ7(16)-Reverence

JJ6(3-5)-Long Wars

Class Begins:

-Allegedly Practical

-Warfare is based on Deception

-Warfare is Important to the Author

-Lempa relates the reading to the War in Iraq

-Gives a shallow argument/is dismissed quickly

-Price is high during war

-Forrester draws comparisons

-When the weapons are dull, one should attack

-Also relates reading to Iraq

-Provides a better argument than Lempa did

-“The world wants to kill us”

-Enemy Spies

-Can be bought/expendable

-Spies are essential to warfare

-Kevin makes a bad argument against James Bond being an unrealistic and impractical spy

-Joel counters and wins the argument in a gracious manner

-Dent aides Joel in his argument

-The US has spies

-Nobody really trusts double agents

-Can they be trusted?

-Apparently, only the wise can use double agents (Daoist train of thought?)

-The captured soldiers are to be respected

-So they can become double agents

-Richard relates this to the Nazi's, and how the Russians shot their own guys this one time

-Kevin

-“[the theory]...assumes your enemy is an asshole”

-JMoore

-“They're all Chinese, so maybe the rules are different”

-Kevin

-“What're you trying to say?”

-JMoore

-“Genghis Kahn was able to unite the people by having them join the horde. He wasn't fighting Japanese Samurais; he was uniting the common people”

- Kevin
 - “Nobody cares about your opinion”
- Lempa brings up Iraq...again
- Is it possible to feed false info?
 - Forrester watches SpyTV
 - Correction: Forrester watches Foreign SpyTV/News
- Lempa
 - “Smoke a joint” (context was lost)
- Make sure you bribe the right people
- Get to know your spies
- Legalist and Confucian approaches to the readings
 - Dao is also mentioned
 - Presented as a “savior” religion
- Harmony is necessary
 - Lempa
 - “No, it’s not”
 - Being afraid of leaders is not harmony
 - Fear is respect
 - Tries to blend all 3 schools of thought
 - Leaders should be rigid and loveable
 - Shows principles of the Dao, not the Pure Dao
- Generally, make a General a good General
 - Vas is way too excited about the blood lust
- US doesn’t want war
 - We’re used to not having war
 - People complain a lot
 - The Rebuilding process is a pain, after war
 - Who’s to say who can conquer whom?
 - Change is rejected
 - Should we treat POW’s with respect?
 - Maybe
 - Lempa suggests giving them candy for secrets
 - Dent strongly suggests torture
 - JMoore agrees; torturing until you get the real secret spy stuff that you want to know