

Week 4

• Politics Among the Nations
→ Morgan Thaw

• Politics → war , IR → peace time

Realism

“The world as it is not it ought to be”

Realism

Idealism

• State → principal actors

• Realism → conflict is the dominant theme → due to human nature and this determines state's future
→ aggression → desire for power

• Power Oriented theory

• Dominant / Anarchy

• Self Help / No world govt / No police force to finиш / for survival self help

• Weaponisation → realists say power should be relative

Classic & Modern] Types of realists

• Micheaveli classic
→ The Prince

• Phisidides (classic)

• Thomas Hobbes

• Twenty Years of Crisis → EH Carr] modern

• 6 principles of Morgan Thau

- Aggressive Human nature
- Power maximisation of state relatively
- National Interest → supreme factor
- Statism/ State → supreme factor
- No morality
- Autonomous decisions of states

- Criticism on realism
- Extreme position of realists
- Rejection of european model
- No cooperation
- World Anarchic view
- competition, jealousy, rivalry

3 S:

- State
- Self-help
- Survival