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A. MLL Overload (on desktop)>Movies>Road Scholar>Christian Commies.mpg

- Watch the short clip (approx. 5 minutes) about the “Bruederhof” (German for *brotherhood*) for general understanding.
- As you review the movie clip a second time work on the following exercises below:

Vocabulary

utopian	excerpt
flourish	equipment
rural	handicapped
communal	paradox
on guard	susceptible
immersed	

1. Where is this community located?

2. **Fill in** the blanks with the words you hear.

“All the _____ of this community have declared themselves _____ any _____ property, and all we have, all what you see here, the _____, the factory, the dining _____, belongs to _____. I would say that I have _____. I don’t want any property for _____ because I think that the property, the private property, leads to social _____ and that _____ to _____.” - Klaus Meyer

3. What can you tell me about Klaus Meyer and his father Hans’ past?

4. How does Hans Meyer explain the idea of “community”?

5. **Circle** the words you hear.

Lunch and (supper / snacks / dinner) are communal here. The community is immersed in itself, continually on guard against the (others / outside / old ways). All the telephones are (eternal / external / internal). No one is allowed to (own / watch / sell) television, or (listen to / play / turn on) the radio. News of the (war / worst / world) is excerpted from the newspapers by the (owners / leaders / elders) and posted on the school house (hall / door / wall).

6. **Fill in** the words you hear.

“...we all _____ to be like the members of one organism. The _____ does its work and the _____ does its work, but they’re _____ of the _____. They don’t consider themselves _____ or _____. In fact, they don’t _____ at all.”

7. What is the community’s business? (What do they make?)

8. Is this business profitable?

9. What is the most susceptible age-group?

10. How do two young people (in this community) who are attracted to one another begin a relationship? **Cross-out** the things that are **NOT** true.

- a. They tell the elders.
- b. They begin living together like brother and sister.
- c. The elders decide if they are suitable.
- d. They are considered engaged only upon approval by the elders.
- e. They hold hands a lot.

11. True or False.

1. _____ The Bruederhof teenagers get to enjoy MTV, records and dancing.
2. _____ The teenagers would like to have the latest fashions in shoes and clothes.

True or False.

3. _____ The teenagers feel that things the normal, modern teens today enjoy are really not necessary.
4. _____ The teenagers feel they can live without things like MTV, music, iPods, etc.
5. _____ They claim their way of life is not so different from the outside world.

12. What are the teenagers' opinions on dating?

13. What is the main criticism of the elders on "freedom" in America?

14. How does the reporter of this documentary movie feel about this community?

B. Using **Audio Recorder** (on the dock), record your oral answers to the following, and save them in your folder in groups.

You have learned about two religious groups in the USA: the Amish (or Plain People) and the Bruederhof community,

- a. **Talk about your opinion of these different types of communities.** What have you learned about these communities? What did you find surprising?
- b. **Using your reading book,** record your answers to questions 1, 2 and 3 on page 108, exercise 4.