

Lesson 5 Handout: Idea Analysis

In the book, *This Changes Everything*, author Naomi Klein proposes a number of strategies that she believes would fundamentally change our economy in ways that reflect humanitarian values, create good jobs, and protect the air, land and water.

Use the table below to analyze these ideas.

Proposed Strategy	Brief Explanation	Short-term result	Long-term result	Who benefits? Who doesn't?
Reduce the gap between rich and poor (ex: basic income for all, higher taxes for the affluent).				
Regulate corporations to reduce or eliminate greenhouse gas emissions (ex: tax each unit of pollution, enforce emissions limits on power plants and industrial facilities).				
Reject extractive projects like deep-water drilling, fracking and tar sands mining.				

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Proposed Strategy	Brief Explanation	Short-term result	Long-term result	Who benefits? Who doesn't?
Invest heavily in public infrastructure like public transit, health, and education.				
Re-localize economies based around production of food and goods.				
Recognize the rights of indigenous people to protect lands from extraction.				
Put in place community-controlled clean energy systems.				