

# Apple (2008: 30)

... the best way to understand what any set of institutions, policies, and practices does is to see it from the standpoint of those who have the least power... That is, every institution, policy and practice – and especially those that now dominate education and the larger society – establishes relations of power in which some voices that will be heard most clearly are also those that have the most economic, cultural, and social capital, it is most likely that this will be the case. After all, we do not exist on a level playing field. Many economic, social, and educational policies when actually put in place tend to benefit those who already have advantages.

# Katz (1987:19)

The ideal community should be a community of persons united by collective understandings, by common and communal goals, by bonds of reciprocal obligation, and by a flow of sentiment which makes the preservation of the community an object of desire, not merely a matter of prudence or a command of duty. Community implies a form of social obligation governed by principles different from those operative in the marketplace and the state.