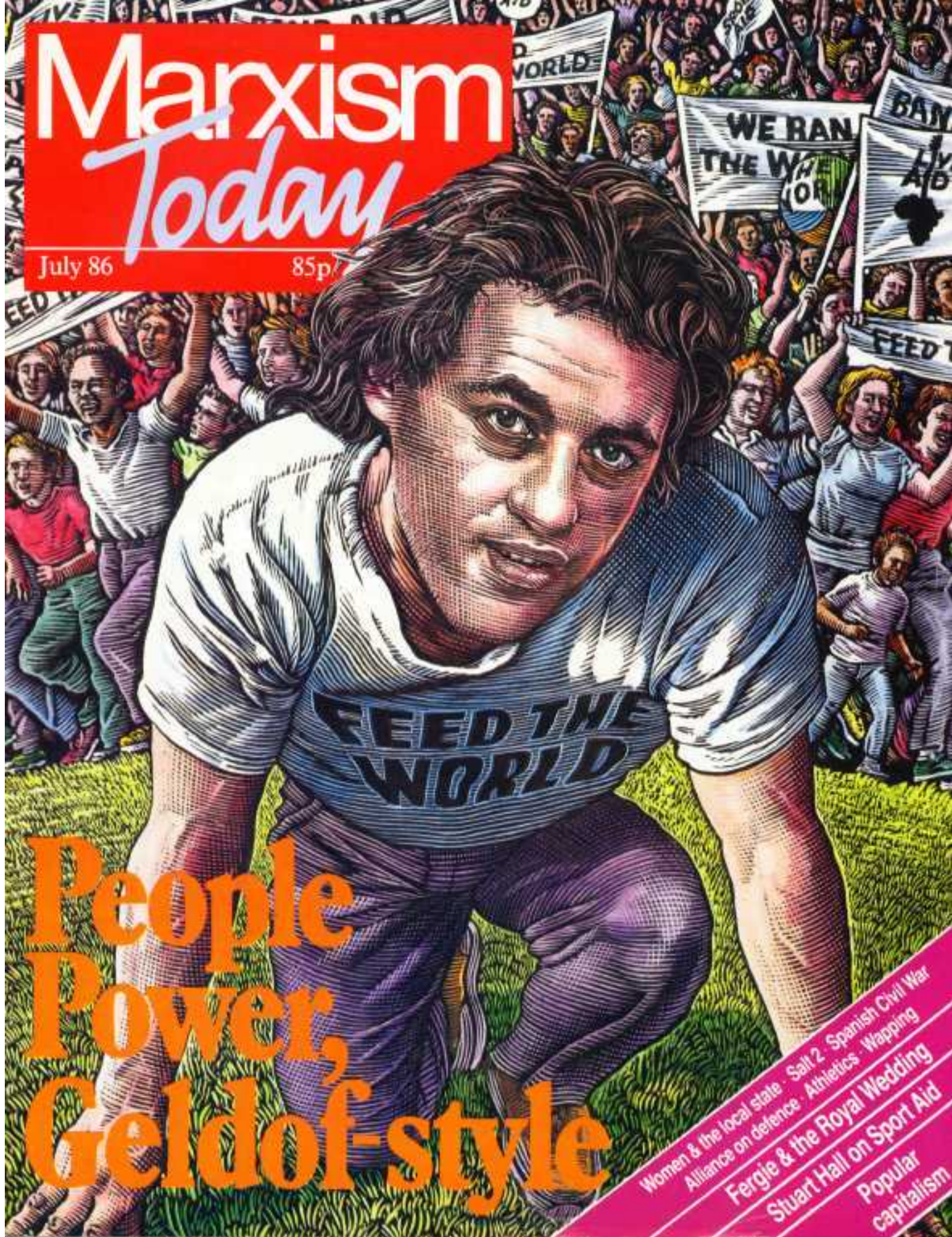


# Marxism Today

July 86

85p



## People Power, Geldof-style

Women & the local state · Salt 2 · Spanish Civil War  
Alliance on defence · Athletics · Wapping  
Fergie & the Royal Wedding  
Stuart Hall on Sport Aid  
Popular  
capitalism

**MARXISM TODAY'S**



**GO OVER THE LIMIT!**

From grand debate to energetic discussion, questions will be asked, answers sought – your contribution is needed. Major sessions will include 'Agenda for a Labour government' with David Blunkett, Beatrix Campbell and Ken Livingstone; and writers Robert Elms and Sheryl Garratt meet up with designers Neville Brody and Stephanie Cooper to struggle over style. ■

Other speakers will include Stuart Hall, Julie Welch, Richard Dyer, Jo Richardson, David Edgar, Diane Abbott, Gordon McLennan, Andrew Gamble, Ros Brunt, Pete Carter, Marek Kohn, Clare Short, plus many others to be announced.

**OCTOBER 31 – NOVEMBER 2  
CITY UNIVERSITY, LONDON**

**TALK, LISTEN, LEARN – DO IT YOURSELF!** Opportunities abound with over 100 sessions – When the oil runs out – The Gorbachev era – Hung Parliaments, the options – What the papers say – The British sense of humour – Unspeakable diseases – Militant, more than just militant? – Black politics, an emergent movement – Women in Parliament – Mind and Body – Pop into politics – Realignment in the trade unions – Fashion as a weapon – Band aid, Live aid, Left aid? – Nuclear power, the party fallout – Will the real Liverpool stand up – Sport in society – The state of apartheid – Vegetarianism, a strategy of personal resistance – Reagan and the terrorists, spotting the difference – Britain's moral decay ■ Practical sessions on music, drama and journalism, with others to follow. . .

**A COMPLETE WEEKEND'S ENTERTAINMENT** Trade Fair, Art from Europe, bars, buskers festival, sports, chat shows, video box, children's festival, Left Foot Forward, pints and poems, swimming.

**SPECIAL OFFER** Buy early – save money. Register before 31 July, waged tickets £10.50, unwaged £5.50 (saves £2).

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

- I would like further details.
- I am registering before 31 July for \_\_\_\_\_ waged tickets (£10.50),  
\_\_\_\_\_ unwaged tickets (£5.50).
- I am registering after 31 July for \_\_\_\_\_ waged tickets (£12.50),  
\_\_\_\_\_ unwaged tickets (£7.50).
- I require accommodation on the following nights: \_\_\_\_\_
- I am likely to bring \_\_\_\_\_ children, aged \_\_\_\_\_ to the creche,  
on \_\_\_\_\_

Make cheques/PDs payable to Marxism Today Events. Send to Left Unlimited, FREEPOST, 16 St John Street, London EC1B 1JB (no stamp required). Telephone 01-251 4406, ext 139.



Theoretical and discussion journal of the Communist Party

EDITORIAL OFFICE
16 St John Street, London EC1M4AY
Telephone 01-608 0265

EDITOR Martin Jacques
DEPUTY EDITOR Sally Townsend
FOCUS Jane Taylor, David Aaronovitch
LETTERS Paddy Farrington
VIEWPOINT Maria Loftus
CHANNEL 5 Sally Townsend
REVIEWS Sally Davison
UNIONSCENE Philippa Langton
UPDATE Diane Dixon
CLOSEUP Paul Webster
BUSINESS Jane Critchley
ADVERTISING Malcolm Clark,
Melanie Cooke
CIRCULATION Paddy Farrington

EDITORIAL BOARD
Jon Bloomfield, Ros Brunt,
Beatrix Campbell, Tricia Davis,
David Edgar, Hywel Francis,
Katy Gardiner, Stuart Hall, Steve Hart,
Jacky Heywood, Eric Hobsbawm,
Alan Hunt, Monty Johnstone,
Paula Lanning, Betty Matthews,
Bert Pearce, Mark Perryman,
Dave Priscott, Bob Rowthorn,
Vishnu Sharma, Fred Steward,
Willy Thompson

DISTRIBUTION
Newstrade: Magnum Distribution Ltd
22-26 Farringdon Lane, London
EC1R 3AU

Bookshops:
Central Books Ltd, 14 The 1 .cathcrmarket
London SE13ER

Subscriptions: Magnum Subscriptions
Division,
Unit 8, Grove Ash, Bletchley, Milton
Keynes MK11BZ.
Tel: 0908-71981

SUBSCRIPTION RATES for one year
Inland: individuals £10.20, institutions
£14, students one-year introductory
rate £7, supporting subscribers £25.

Overseas airspeeded: individuals £19,
institutions £24, supporting subscribers
£34.

The editor welcomes contributions and
letters for publication in the journal.
Further details if required from the
editorial office. Please send SAE if you
want an acknowledgement or manuscript
returned. The views expressed by authors
are personal and not necessarily those of
the editor or editorial board.

ABC Member of the Audit
Bureau of Circulations

TYPESET by Type Generation Ltd
PRINTED by Farleigh Press Ltd (TU)
Watford, Herts

COVER DESIGN: Lee Robinson
COVER ILLUSTRATION: Bill Sanderson

ISSN 0026-4118
Published by the Communist Party
16 St John Street, London EC1M4AY
© World Copyright
July 1986 Marxism Today

JULY • 1986 VOLUME 31 NUMBER 7

2 FOCUS
South Africa • Wapping • Salt 2 • Drugs and advertising • Africa and aid

FEATURES

10 People Aid • a new politics sweeps the land -
Stuart Hall and Martin Jacques
First Band Aid, then Live Aid, and recently Sport Aid have changed
the political agenda. Aid is now a major national issue.

16 Making Waves • A Roundtable Discussion
Women's committees have tried to change the politics of local
government. But, have they succeeded and are women's interests really
represented by these structures?

22 After Atlanticism • Dan Smith
Suppose a Labour government does try and remove cruise. What will
the US do? Will the opposition be so great as to force the government to
back down?

28 Public Sector Possibilities Robin Murray
Nationalisation has been in retreat. The old Morrisonian model is dead.
But pragmatism is no solution. Public ownership matters. We need a
new model, one of openness and diversity.

34 Homage to the Civil War Manuel Azcarate
Fifty years ago this month saw the outbreak of the Spanish civil war.
It ended in bitter defeat and paved the way for the second world war.
But its legacy has served as an inspiration.

39 LETTERS

40 VIEWPOINT on Defence and the Alliance
Paddy Ashdown and Neville Pressley give their views.

42 CHANNEL5
The Spanish civil war in photos and songs • Athletics and drugs
Thatcher's changing image

48 REVIEWS
Terrorism • Political strikes

51 UPDATE

52 CLOSE UP on Sarah Ferguson



AIR & FERRY TICKETS ISSUED IMMEDIATELY ♦ ALL PACKAGE HOLIDAYS

**IN 86**

**WORLD  
WIDE  
TRAVEL**



## SPECIALIST TRAVEL

We specialise in organising group study tours and holidays with a purpose for student, labour movement or school groups, particularly to the USSR, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and all countries of Eastern Europe, Algeria, France, Italy and Cuba. Phone or write to Paco Norall or Landon Temple for details.

## ALL BROCHURE HOLIDAYS

All operators skiing, cruise and summer package holidays, and all air and ferry tickets, can be booked promptly and efficiently with the help of our computerised system. This system can now locate ultra-bargain offers for those able to take advantage of un-sold seats by travelling at short notice. Please call in or phone for any details or brochures you require.

## THE FAR HORIZON: SOUTH AMERICA

### NICARAGUA

In association with the Nicaragua Solidarity Campaign and "New Socialist" 1986 programme now available includes 17-day study tours from £798. First departures 24th July (4 weeks inc, study tour plus 2 weeks work project). The tour is fully inclusive and guided, with visits and meetings in Managua, Masaya, Esteli, Leon and Granada. Further tours (inc Trade Union Group) between July and December are in preparation, and there are opportunities to join work brigades and other specialist groups travelling with us through the N.S.C. General or special interest programmes arranged at any time for groups (min. 10 people) or on an individual basis.

### CUBA

1986 programme of study and holiday tours available. Group tours (including Spanish language studies) for any party of 10 or more and individual tours providing initial hotel booking in Havana, plus free range internal travel or car hire can be arranged at any time. New charter-based tours planned to commence in November. Plus specialist ballet and film festival tours (Nov-Dec).

### TRANS-SIBERIAN TO CHINA AND JAPAN

Independent or group travel, in co-operation with China National Youth Travel Corporation, via Moscow and trans-Siberian rail or air routes to Mongolia, Beijing or Tokyo, returning via Hong Kong or continuing to Australia or the US West Coast. From £265 one way to Beijing. Plus 18-21 day tours to Beijing, central and south-west China returning via Hong Kong.

## CITY BREAKS

Regular one-week and weekend holidays in Moscow and Leningrad, Budapest and Prague from £195 inc. Wide range of other Western European city visits - from Paris £79 by air to only £55 for coach weekends.

## SPECIAL OFFERS

### RUSSIAN LANGUAGE COURSES IN THE USSR

1986 Programme and month vacation courses. In July, in Moscow Katinin, Leningrad, Minsk, Kharbin and Volgograd; in August, in Moscow and Leningrad and in September at Krassnodar. Winter courses include Moscow in November/December, Leningrad over Christmas and New Year and new courses planned for Yalta for October and at Leningrad University for January and February 1987.

Key Summer Course: USSR Regional Studies. A new programme of 1-month courses in preparation designed to combine Soviet studies in politics, economics and sociology with an optional Russian language content.

### PARIS

Fete de l'Amazonte. 12th-15th September by coach to Paris for the great left-wing festival. Returning via Reims with a wine tasting in Champagne. £63. Special Spanish language coach arranged for the Chile Cultural Committee.

### SOVIET UNION

Summer Bargain to Moscow and Leningrad 5 days in the 2 great Soviet cities, by air, 22nd-28th August. Full board and programme from only £248.

Half Term Holidays. Summer and October terms - 8 days to Moscow and Leningrad with optional education visits for teachers.

Moscow, Vladimir and Leningrad Series of Saturday departures to Moscow returning from Leningrad on Sundays - 9 days, including November celebrations tour from £285.

Medical Exchange Programme. Two week visit for medical students 28th August-8th September, sponsored by UK-USSR Medical Exchange Programme. Details on request. November Celebrations. 2-9th November. 82th Anniversary of the October Revolution. To see the Moscow Parade by the walls of the Kremlin with a 3-day excursion by coach to the mediaeval cities of Vladimir and Suzdal.

### MARATHONS ABROAD

Following our 100-strong contingent to the Moscow marathon in August 1985, a programme of marathon and other tours for runners is available, including the US-USSR Goodwill Games Marathon (open to all comers) 2nd-14th July and Moscow Peace Marathon, 6th-14th August. From £365.

SPECIALIST TOUR OPERATOR TO THE LABOUR & STUDENT MOVEMENTS

**Progressive Tours Ltd**

12 Porchester Place, Marble Arch,  
London W2 2BS  
Telephone 01-262 1676. Telex 25135.



# London Review OF BOOKS

TWICE MONTHLY

Trial Subscription offer  
SIX FREE ISSUES

EDWARD SAID: SAJJAD; PHELP WITH: MALANAD



Superficial journalism aids and abets establishment control. There is an urgent need in Britain today for more detailed and informed comment on the complex conditions of modern existence. The LRB continues to try and help fill this need. For depth and authority of analysis, range of subject matter and sheer volume of published output, there is no literary paper in Britain to compete with the LRB. There ought to be, but there isn't.

### Facts about the LRB

Founded October 1979. Entirely independent. Estimated current readership 55,000. Read in 75 countries around the world. Printed on newsprint in large tabloid format. 22 issues a year. At least 15 major articles in every issue. Poems. Short stories. In 1985, reviewed 1,000 important British and American books. Publishes only original material.

### A Literary Journal?

The LRB publishes articles on any subject intelligible to the layman. As well as poets, novelists and literary journalists, LRB's contributors are specialists who know how to write. They include: Martin Amis, Gabriele Annan, Julian Barnes, Alan Bennett, Anita Brookner, Brigid Brophy, Angela Carter, Wendy Cope, Patricia Craig, Michael Dummett, Garret FitzGerald, Carlo Ginzburg, E H Gombrich, Nadine Gordimer, Lawrence Gowing, Ian Hamilton, Stuart Hampshire, Tony Harrison, Seamus Heaney, Ted Hughes, Michael Ignatieff, Kazuo Ishiguro, Norma Kitson, Emmanuel LeRoy Ladurie, David Lodge, Peter Medawar, Robert Morley, Sean O'Faolain, Tom Paulin, Fiona Pitt-Kethley, Amanda Prantera, Craig Raine, Phillip Roth, Carol Rumens, Susan Fromberg Schaeffer, Elaine Showalter, Carolyn Steedman, A J P Taylor, Emma Tennant, E P Thompson, Bernard Williams, Raymond Williams.

### A Political Journal

The *New Statesman* has praised the 'clear and central lines of debate of the sort recently maintained by the LRB over the miners' strike and the sinking of the *Belgrano*'. Other recent political analysis in the LRB includes: Tom Dallyell on Chernobyl, Edward Said on the bombing of Libya, J K Galbraith on Truman, Peter Shore on Gaitsekell, Ryszard Kapuscinski on Lumumba, R W Johnson on the sinking of the 'Rainbow Warrior', Joel Shurkin on Atomic tests, Ian Gilmour on Zionism, Jonathan Steele on El Salvador and the press, Neal Ascherson on the rise and fall of the political press in Britain.

RICHARD ROFF: HAZARD TRUTH



The *London Review of Books* is not a light journal. Some would say it was positively formidable. Certainly, it assumes people want substance for their money. We are sure that readers of *Marxism Today* will enjoy and value the LRB. That's why we are offering you the chance to take out a subscription with a free trial period of 3 months (6 issues). We think you'll become addicted. If you don't we'll give you your money back in full at any time in the trial period.

SHARDEPARK HORN; THATCHER: STANBELL



YES, I'd like to accept your trial offer and receive six free issues of the *London Review of Books*. Please enter . . . subscription(s) for the *London Review of Books* at the special rate of £19.20 (£27 outside UK) for fifteen months (28 issues). I understand that if, after three months, I don't want to continue to subscribe, I can cancel my subscription and get a full refund.

Name . . . . . Address . . . . .  
Postcode . . . . .

I enclose a cheque for £ . . . made payable to LRB Ltd. £19.20 (UK); £27.00 (outside UK). Add £5 for accelerated postage outside UK. (Dollar equivalents = \$27) and \$38.

Please debit my Access/American Express/Diners Club/Visa Account No.

Signature . . . . . Date . . . . .

Return to: *Marxism Today*, LRB Offer, FREEPOST, 16 St John's Street, London EC1B 1JB, UK. (No stamp needed in UK)