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Machiavelli			Machiavell	i (cont)		Machiavelli	(cont)	
Approach Form of	Realist	Neglecting to consider what is done because one is concentrating on what ought to be done is more likely to lead to ruin than to preservation Other than these	Education	Pursuits of War	A prince ought to have no other aim or thought than war and its organization and discipline. Nor should he study anything else; for this is the sole art that pertains to a	Actions A	ecessary p n - a r s p	Cruel measures are properly used - if one night speak well of evil when they are applied usingle time, are necessary to one's ecurity, and are not persisted in afterwards inless they can be
Government	Thiopanty	advisors, the prince should		Geography	ruler First, he comes to			urned to the advantage f the subjects
		listen to no one; rather, he should pursue what he resolves on doing			know his country, and is better able to defend it. Second, by means of the knowledge and observation of his own local area, it will be easy for him to understand any other area		atter p ti	lothing makes a rince most esteemed nan great ndertakings which
Type of Ruler	Prince							emonstrate how extraordinary he is
Character Any Necessary	-	It is necessary for a prince to understand how to avail himself of the beast and the man				Plato		
	Necessary					Approach	Idealist	
				History	The prince should read histories, and study there the actions of illustrious men, to see how they have borne themselves in war	Form of	Utopian Aristocrad	c Rulers must be
	Appearanc es Matter	It is necessary for him to be prudent enough to know how to avoid scandal because of vices which would result in his losing his state It is not necessary for a prince to have all the good qualities but it is necessary for him to appear to have them				Governmen		the guardians
						Type of Ruler	Philosoph r Kings	e Cities will have no respite from evil unless philosophers rule as kings in the cities that is, political power and philosophy
				Combat	Experience has shown that only princes and armed republics make great progress			
			Motivation	Power	It is much safer to be feared than to be loved		Compelle to Rule	coalesce d If they are to be willing to rule,
				Glory				some compulsion or punishment must be brought to bear on them
	Virtue is Limiting	A man who wishes to act on the basis of morality will soon meet destruction among those with no such scruples		Expansion Conquer				
						Character	Physically Fit	 Swift and also strong if it is necessary to catch up with the enemy and fight

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	High- Spirited	A high spirit is invincible and unbeatable		Happiness	We are not aiming to make any one group outstandingly happy, but to make the whole city so, as far as possible	War is Necessary for Growth Growth is Power	War is a Result of Greed Unity is Power	
	Gentle	Gentle to their own people, but hard for the enemy to deal with				Appearances are Most Important	Rulers Cannot Simply Appear to Rule	
V Education F	Lover of Wisdom	Like a pedigree dog; he judges anything he sees as being friendly or hostile by no other criterion than that he knows the former and does not know the latter	Actions	Justice	It is never just to harm anyone because men who are harmed become worse			
			than that he Expansion the former and know the training for	·	We must then again enlarge our city The land which was adequate to feed the earlier population will become small and inadequate instead We must therefore annex a portion of our neighbours' land			
	Physical Training	Physical training for the body						
	Non- Physical Training	Training in the arts for the soul						
Motivation	Subjects' Best Interests	Every kind of rule, as far as it truly rules, does not seek what is best for anything else than the subject of its rule and care		War	The task of the guardian is most important, so he should have the most freedom from all other pursuits, for he requires			
	Justice	Injustice, wherever it occurs, be it in a city, a family, an army, or anything else results in making it incapable of achieving anything as a unit because of the dissensions and differences it creates, and further, it makes that unit hostile to itself, to its every enemy, and to the just		1	technical knowledge and the greatest diligence			
			Criticis	n				
			Principal	ity	Tyranny			
			Educatio	n on War	Insufficiently Educated			
			War is th	e Ruler's Art	Justice is the Ruler's Art			
					War is the Craft of Soldiers			
			Virtue is	Useless	Virtue is Essential			
			Power is	Valuable	Power Should Not Be Sought			
			Injustice Necessa	is Sometimes rv	Justice is Always Most Profitable			

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