Weekly Worksheet #10.

Matthew Crawford, “Attentional Commons,” Excerpt from

*The World Beyond Your Head*

1. What is the “attentional commons”? Why does Crawford think such a space is important for our society?

2. How does Crawford redefine the terms “autonomy” and “freedom”? What is his frustration with how we typically use the term “freedom”?

3. Make a connection between Crawford and your own life. List five examples of things that distract you from your own studies (even from doing this worksheet!), and then, in parenthesis determine *who* (which company) is complicit in those distractions.  How would your life be different without these distractions? Do you support an attentional commons or not? If not, why not?