

*PART THREE:
AGENCY, IDEOLOGY AND SOCIAL MOVEMENTS*

**ANTHROPOLOGICAL
THEORY & POLITICAL
AGENCY, Part I**

From Structure to Process: The Manipulative Individual

1. The demise of structural-functionalism:
 - process & change
 - individuals competing for power
 - national societies and states
2. Action Theory
3. “Political Man”

The Social Drama: Strategizing Individuals in Context

- Victor Turner, *Schism and Continuity in an African Society* (1957)
- manipulation
- dynamic tension
- fission and fusion
- focus on individuals

Game Theory:

The Rules of Political Manipulation

-F.G. Bailey, *Strategems and Spoils* (1969)

-politics as a game with agreed upon rules

(1) prizes or goals

(2) personnel

(3) leadership

(4) competition itself—Confrontation &
Encounter

(5) judges

Political Teams

--contract teams

--moral teams

Challenges Faced by the Team Leader

Factions

Political Symbolism