What Were you Thinking - 1600s - part5

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Framework

Humans, Groups

Population

Humans, Groups, Individuals

Questions

• Why should I communicate with anyone?

Initial Conditions

Individual, Group

Self reference

Individual, Group

Preamble

In the 1970's South Africa was divided by Race and tribal divisions - sowing hatred and promoting special privilege to some tribes over others. This caused a global debate and outrage. 50 years later South Africa is still tribal and fighting tribal wars. The names of the tribes have changed but not the war.

In Australia Anthony Albanese, Dan Andrews and all the Greens/Labour politicians in every jurisdiction have divided the country by Race and given special privilege to tribes - Women and Blacks - A Minister for Blacks, an Office of Women and land where white people are not allowed - only Blacks. Black supremacy flags are flown above and instead of national flags. Special places where only women are allowed. Special houses for women. Free Money for Blacks and Women for doing nothing except belonging to their tribe.

Now is an appropriate time to rediscover George Orwell's work.

George Orwell - Lifespan[1903 to 1950] **Rank(1)** Keyword(Humanism, Journalist, Realist, Analyst, Explorer, Thinker, Writer, Debater, Society, Government, Critical Thinking)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rY5Ste5xRAA
https://www.george-orwell.org/

Daniel Defoe and George Orwell were realists - they tried to make sense of reality - the reality of places, time and people - not belief and imagination (hysteria) - but what the real world entailed. To some extent https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dante_Alighieri Dante Alighieri (May 1265 – September 14, 1321) explored the reality of the world - at least abstractly - to see as much as he could from where he was at the time. Daniel and George had become more detailed and were better informed - they had more historical information. They tried to make sense of things. They were informed critical thinkers.

e.g. Daniel Defoe (on highways) https://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/4087/pg4087-images.html Cross-roads to be twenty feet broad, and ditches proportioned; no lanes and passes less than nine feet without ditches.

The Madness of the West continues - not only with the tribal women, blacks, causists, religious zealots and weak minded men - but also the rampant corruption of the political classes and the elites. Tribalism and tribal wars dominate the West in places like USA, NZ, Canada and Australia.

There are similarities between our times now and the rampant tribalism and constant lying and corruption by women in times past. The rampant sexualization of children the sexual depravity of Kevin Rudd, Dan Andrews, Schools and across society is joyously and publicly celebrated. Very much like Germany in 1920's https://alphahistory.com/weimarrepublic/weimar-cabaret/. Obsessions with sex, group tribal identity and entitled victim narratives dominate the West. Very similar to Byzantine - Eastern Roman empire times under Justinian.

<u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Procopius</u> **Procopius of Caesarea** (Greek: Προκόπιος ὁ Καισαρεύς Prokópios ho Kaisareús; Latin: Procopius Caesariensis; c. 500–565) was a prominent late antique Greek scholar and historian from Caesarea Maritima

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Theodora (wife of Justinian I) **Theodora** (/ˌ ϑ i:ə'dɔ:rə/; Greek: Θ ε o δ ω ω ω ω ; c. 490 – 28 June 548)[1] was a Byzantine empress and wife of emperor Justinian I. She was from humble origins and became empress when her husband became emperor in 527.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Justinian I Justinian I (/dʒʌˈstɪniən/ just-IN-ee-ən; Latin: Iūstīniānus, Classical Latin pronunciation: [ju:sti:niˈaːnʊs]; Greek: Ἰουστινιανός, translit. loustinianós, Byzantine Greek pronunciation: [i.ustini.aˈnos]; 482 – 14 November 565), also known as Justinian the Great, was the Eastern Roman emperor from 527 to 565.

It must be noted that many current feminists and others are horrified by this historic account and have written many pieces attacking *Procopius* for "slut-shaming" this poor innocent women and have suggested that none of his history could be in any way correct for it is simply impossible to believe that any woman could behave this way at any time in history. This idea is common amongst the West now as Women are believed in courts and that if they Kill their children everyone jumps to their defense and claims that they must have been mentally ill https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/article/2024/jun/24/mother-killed-her-two-children-and-stabbed-husband-after-erupting-in-rage "The judge, Mr Justice Choudhury, told jurors: "This trial is slightly unusual – the defendant has been found to be under a disability. She is unable to participate in the trial in any meaningful sense." i.e. Women are not seen as villains they must always be seen as victims. Western women "academics" spend much of their time on women's issues or trying to re-write history to frame men and glorify women.

I disagree with the attacks on the veracity of Procopius's account - given the rampant tribalism, corruption and riots https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nika_riots and the fact he chose to write this History after all of the people had died - in **fear of his own life** - we are witnessing an **important first hand account** of someone who was there at the time of the debauchery, tribalism and riots and was employed as an official historian over many years - he was professional. There is no reason to think he is making this up.

Procopius died at least a few years after 565 as he unequivocally states in the beginning of his Secret History that he planned to publish it after the death of Justinian for fear he would be tortured and killed by the emperor (or even by general Belisarius) if the emperor (or the general) learned about what Procopius wrote (his scathing criticism of the emperor, of his wife, of Belisarius, of the general's wife, Antonia: calling the former "demons in human form" and the latter incompetent and treacherous) in this later history.

https://penelope.uchicago.edu/Thayer/E/Roman/Texts/Procopius/Anecdota/17*.html

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scourge "A scourge is a whip or lash, especially a multi-thong type, used to inflict severe corporal punishment or self-mortification. It is usually made of leather."

24 At that time it came to pass that **practically all the women had become corrupt in character**. For they **sinned against their husbands with complete licence, since such acts brought them no danger or harm**, because even those who were found guilty of adultery remained unscathed; for they

straightway went to the Empress and turning the tables brought counter-suit against their husbands and haled them before the court though no charges had been made against them. 25 And all the good the husbands got of it was to pay a fine double the wife's dowry, although no charge had been proved against them, and then to be scourged and, usually, led off to prison, and afterwards to look on while the adulteresses preened themselves and more boldly than ever accepted their seducers' embraces. And many of the adulterers actually attained honour from this conduct. 26 Consequently most men thereafter, though outrageously treated by their wives, were very glad to remain silent and escape the scourge, granting their wives complete freedom by allowing them to think that they had not been detected.

......And much more debauchery, weak minded men, corruption by everyone in power and belonging to the right tribes (women, greens, blues, elites)

This highlights the **impossibility of belief** argument technique used by binaries and dim-wits.

- It is impossible not to believe in God because so many people believe in God and died as martyrs saying they believed in god or killed people shouting I believe in God or blew themselves up because they believed in God or drunk the cool-aid because they believed in God. (Popularism belief of Popularity Lemmings, Sheep)
- It is impossible to believe that any women would behave like that. She must have had or reasons (revenge, spite) or been insane Maybe he started it and it was self-defense. (Permanently Entitled victim narrative)
- It is impossible to believe that any man is innocent of all allegations made by any woman. There must be some truth in the allegations especially if other women join in and make allegations. (Binary certainty Anxiety, Fear, Devil narrative Drama triangle If some claims to be a victim then Someone has to blamed)
- It is impossible to believe that any society would have such hatred and contempt for a group people within their society (e.g. religious groups, white men, tribal identity) that they would systematically demonize, remove from positions of power, eliminate their wealth, remove children from them, persecute them in courts, encourage mob attacks, the destruction of statues and structures and seek to eliminate them from everywhere in society and there would be so many smug complicit people so willing to go along with and profit from the corruption and crime of the smug tribal elites. (Byzantine Empire, Religious Wars, Nazi Germany, South Africa, Canberra, etc) (Tribal groupthink resentment D.I.E. narrative)
- It is impossible to believe because the universe is so large that an infinite number of societies exist each one far greater than ours in every way everywhere in the universe (Carl Sagan) (belief of certainty)

See Mutilated by Virtue – Destroyed by Tribalism – Inundated with Lies https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Mutilated-by-Virtue-Destroyed-by-Tribalism-Inundated-with-Lies.pdf

We now have police who take the knee to tribalism and Black lives Matter rallies, NT police who apologize for arresting blacks when they break the law, Politicians in USA and other places washing the feet of blacks as they are screamed at and abused by mobs with loud hailers, we have courts all over the west assuming any women guilty of murder is mentally ill while any man is evil and must be

shot on sight, we have draconian laws and whole systems to split into tribes of women and blacks and demonize and destroy white men on a daily basis in schools, courts, CSA and Family, universities, public services, science, philosophy, etc. Men arrested and jailed without trial or a right to defend themselves. We have media hell bent on demonizing men and portraying women as victims "Believe all Women" and "Kill all men" are shouted with equal intensity by all the raging psychopaths in media - not only the ABC and Guardian but also Sky and the feminists and weak minded men there - and politicians. Black Women tribes gather in USA to re-enforce the tribal victim narratives of Women and Blacks and the hatred of white men. We have a breakdown of families, society, education, business, farms, energy, finances, the rule of law, the loss of presumption of innocence with full on tribal warfare raged by women and blacks - and now muslims and other tribes causing havoc across the country - home invasions, crimes, murders, theft, lies and corruption everywhere - town councils, states, unions, commonwealth agencies. We have open warfare gloriously declared by the Greens "RobinHood Tax" policy and "Squatters Rights" of open class warfare lead by Anthony Albanese with his "I Hate Tories" hatred and division while saying "I Love Blacks" "I Love Women" and "Let us stop being divisive".

In my opinion - What corrupt and deluded tribal **Bad Actors** these people are - Mark Dreyfuss, Tanya Plibersek, Anthony Albanese, Penny Wong, Katy Gallagher, Chris Bowen, Richard Marles, Andrew Barr, Andrew Leigh, Jim Chalmers, Dan Andrews, Sally McManus and the rest of Greens/Labour, ABC and other tribal warriors - tearing every part of society apart for their own personal rewards and corruption - aided and abetted by fascists and oligarchical grifters and human scum in positions of power - public service, courts, media, business, unions, universities, etc. Not only the tribal women and blacks but the zealots, religious extremists, hysterical psychopaths and weak minded men playing baby virtue signaling games. The politicians use a "Tactics" Committee which is really a taxpayer funded war office - a permanent state of war against the people, anyone who questions or anyone who finds out how corrupt they are. They are permanent liars and criminals entrenched in power for their own profit - ignorant, incapable and too stupid to know how stupid they are - yet they care nothing for knowledge and mock anyone who has any. These barbarian scum are the Horde of our time - ripping through the fabric of civilization while they chortle and sneer at the people they lord it over and steal from.

The delude themselves to think that they are "Good" or as Anthony Albanese puts it "'I hate tories"

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tories (British political party) The Tories were a loosely organised political faction and later a political party, in the Parliaments of England, Scotland, Ireland, Great Britain and the United Kingdom. They first emerged during the 1679 Exclusion Crisis, when they opposed Whig efforts to exclude James, Duke of York from the succession on the grounds of his Catholicism. Despite their fervent opposition to state-sponsored Catholicism, Tories opposed his exclusion because of their belief that inheritance based on birth was the foundation of a stable society.

George Orwell http://gutenberg.net.au/ebooks03/0300011h.html#part50 WRITERS AND LEVIATHAN (1948)

"The whole left-wing ideology, scientific and Utopian, was evolved by people who had no immediate prospect of attaining power. It was, therefore, an extremist ideology, utterly contemptuous of kings, governments, laws, prisons, police forces, armies, flags, frontiers,

patriotism, religion, conventional morality, and, in fact, the whole existing scheme of things. Until well within living memory the forces of the Left in all countries were fighting against a tyranny which appeared to be invincible, and it was easy to assume that if only THAT particular tyranny—capitalism—could be overthrown, Socialism would follow.

And from my previous article https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/The-Consumer-Price-Index.pdf

Dalrymple T. The lying king. BMJ. 2007 Jul 28;335(7612):213. doi: 10.1136/bmj.39281.648553.59. PMCID: PMC1934484. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1934484/ Copyright public interest fair use "Dr John Arbuthnot was Queen Anne's personal physician and a close friend of Jonathan Swift and John Gay (of The Beggar's Opera). He was a polymath: as well as holding MDs from Edinburgh and Cambridge, he was a classical scholar and mathematician. He was a pioneer not only of medicine but of political science. Arbuthnot understood the way of the world so well that one of his works might serve as a guide to modern life.

In 1712, he published his Proposals for Printing A very Curious Discourse, in Two Volumes in Quarto, Intitled **A Treatise of the Art of Political Lying**, With an Abstract of the First Volume of the said Treatise. Alas, he never completed his great work, or even started it, but nevertheless left very useful hints to governments, opposition parties, and managers in the NHS. I would recommend a copious reprint and its dissemination to all those interested (or do I mean stakeholders?)—at public expense, of course. The work is very short, and even with all the necessary feasibility studies, pilot projects, inevitable overruns, and so forth, the cost wouldn't be more than a few millions. It would improve the quality of political lying in this country no end."

Introduction

There are many young men who have great courage and little sense and there are too few sensible old men with any courage left. Socrates, Galileo, "Don Quixote", Daniel Defoe, John Arbuthnot, Voltaire, George Orwell - (Me, Now)

Reality and debate was increasing in England in the 1600s. Basic ideas of western democracies were coming together in debate, discussion and exploration - widely shared and commented on by all the public of the commonwealth. Ideas of public good, commonwealth, public benefit, toleration, education and health were being preferenced over personal greed, superstition, ignorance, corrtuption and violent hatred. What had started as trade and merchants had become national business and economics. <a href="https://archive.org/details/severalassertion00asgiuoft/page/38/mode/2uphttps://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Asgill_John Asgill_(25 March 1659 – 10 November 1738) made an argument for money to be something other than Gold or Silver. These ideas were able to be explored and discussed.

He also wrote about a Land Titles registry. *AN ESSAY ON A Registry, FOR Titles of Lands* https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/An Essay on a Registry, for Titles of Lands

John wasn't stupid - he was educated and articulate and did his best to expose his thinking and arguments - you expose yourself to ridicule by the mob and personal attack by exposing your arguments. He had the courage to try to make sense of things and put his ideas into print for public

discourse. Yet his argument about what we call "Money" was insightful and helpful for decision makers later in history. But because you can make a sensible argument about one thing - say maths, midwifery or metallurgy - it does not mean you can make significant sensible arguments on other things. In John's case - he upset the believers and divinity experts of his time.

Asgill also made an argument of life after death for religious believers - eternal life https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Author:John Asgill An Argument proving that, according to the Covenant of Eternal Life revealed in the Scripture, Man may be translated from hence into that Eternal Life without passing through Death (1700) https://archive.org/details/bim_eighteenth-century_an-argument-proving-tha_asgill-john_1715

https://theodora.com/encyclopedia/a2/john_asgill.html Coleridge has highly praised the "genuine Saxon English," the "irony" and "humour" of this extraordinary pamphlet, which interpreted the relation between God and man by the technical rules of law, and insisted that, Christ having wiped out Adam's sin, the penalty of death must consequently be illegal for those who claim exemption. How far it was meant seriously was doubted at the time, and may be doubted now.

So maybe John wrote this as way to stimulate discussion about logic and debate? It is difficult to tell from this distance in time and space but he does seem to mention religion and religious stories in his other articles by way of making arguments as if they are true and logical.

Using the "Faith of Enoch Agreement" and Faith Obedience to the Scripture - .i.e. as long as you believe it - it is true. "I had doubt and questions and then the prophet of God answered all my questions - Oh Bliss!" 'Oh Smug Joy of Certainty"

https://biblehub.com/hebrews/11-5.htm#:~:text=By%20faith%20Enoch%20was%20taken%20up%20so%20that,taken%20he%20was%2 Ocommended%20as%20having%20pleased%20God.

..." And perhaps it may seem more odd in me to bolt out an Argument in Divinity (as a Bone of Contention) into the World, at a time when the rest of Mankind are so deeply engag'd in Secular Affairs...."

"...For die when we will, and be buried where we will, and lie in the Grave as long as we will, we must all return from thence and stand again upon the Earth, before we can ascend into the Heavens. —— Hinc itur ad Aſtra " (From here he goes to the stars) ". Now the Assertion of Christ concerning himself was, that Man by him may live for ever. And this is that Magnetick which hath drawn the World after him...."

He then asserts that just because one person dies it does not necessarily mean that he will die.

See **Anything Asserted Must Therefore Possibly Exist** https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Anything-Asserted-Must-Therefore-Possibly-Exist.pdf

He then asserts that the "Tree of Life" is an infinity and God invented the ideas of life and death but the Tree of life is "Eternal" (infinite)

e.g. Because infinity exists - anyone can assert anything - particularly if they claim it comes from the **God of Certainty** - the Master of infinity. "I am the prophet of certain God" (The Moses Delusion). He

continues with what he thinks is logical arguments quoting words from the Bible of certainty. Resurrection wasn't really death or arising from death - it was eternal god-like life.

"and hence the Life of Christ regained by the Conquest of his Resurrection, being annexed to the Person of his Godhead, which is eternal, doth thereby become Eternal Life; for the Life of God and Eternal Life are synonymous Terms. And thus Christ, ever since his Resurrection, did and doth stand seized of an absolute and indefeazible Estate of Eternal Life, without any Tenure or Condition, or other matter or thing to change or determine it for ever"

"AND I had reason thus to assert the Title of Christ at large. Because this is the Title by and under which I am going to affirm my Argument, and to claim Eternal Life for my self and all the World."

And then we get the asserted **God of Absolute certainty** - because only God can be absolute and certain. i.e. Things must be absolute and man cannot be - Hence God must exist to be Absolute.

"Nothing but an absolute Power can be absolute in any thing; therefore Man having no absolute Power, can't absolutely determine his own Will; every change of which, subjects him to a Lye, either by falsifying his former Resolutions, or his present Inclinations."

He asserts that Absolute certainty exists and therefore God is it because only God can be absolute.

See

- One Thing I Know With Absolute Certainty Is Absolute Certainty Does Not Exist https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Absolute-Certainty.pdf
- One Thing I Know https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/One-Thing-l-Know.pdf
- Binary Groupthink https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Binary-groupthink.pdf

John continues with a challenge to refute his assertions - i.e. having asserted his beliefs then it is up to others to prove he is wrong rather than he prove his assertions. This is a common technique of the dim-witted "I assert this - prove I am wrong" and if you cannot prove I am wrong then I must be right. Using the logic Anything Asserted Must Therefore Possibly Exist.

"First, I put it upon the Profession of Divinity to deny one word of the Fact, as I have related it. Next, I challenge the Science of the Law to shew such another Title as this. And then I defy the Logicians to deny my Argument: Of which this is the Abstract. That the Law delivered to Adam before the Fall is the Original Cause of Death in the World. That this Law is taken away by the Death of Christ. That therefore the Legal Power of Death is gone."

- 1) You must believe in Eternity
- 2) You must believe in the bible
- 3) You must believe in some of the words (not all) in the Bible
- 4) You must believe the Jesus story
- 5) You must believe Jesus died and then was resurrected
- 6) Experts like Divinity (the Divine experts), Lawyers and Logicians know the truth of facts and argument

7) You must believe in absolute certainty

Many people in his society at the time were quite upset by this - he became less popular with the believers - those who habitually assert and believe things.

I use this example to show that even authentic and earnest thinkers and debaters do not always see the assumptions or errors in their own arguments. John was a decent thinker - far more advanced that anyone in the Greens/Labour collective and Women/Blacks (on average - entitled victim narrative) Religious zealots and weak minded heroic men which dominate the world at the moment.

For example the many pig-ignorant tribal types we have in Australia Greens/Labour, Women, Blacks, Causists, Religious Fanatics and weak minded men - see nothing wrong with having a Minister for Women and a Minister for Blacks in governments and councils around Australia. Muslims want their own minister and laws - like Blacks and women have. The Jews and Christians are seeking to have their own laws and ministers as well - soon we will have all the special tribes with their states and ministers.

Greens/Labour are seeking to ask a question on the next census to see how people choose to identify and what kind of sex they prefer e.g. Jedi Knights, Trans, lesbian, Midgets, disabled, ex-circus freak and Hamster fuckers - each one of these groups will then be assigned their own set of legislation and minister and budget portfolio.

For example Andrew Barr believes that animals are sentient and he passed a law in Canberra to say so (like Jacinta Ardern (NZ) and many other dim-wits). This means when a hamster fucker and the hamster break up from their loving and deeply meaningful sentient relationship - they could be prosecuted under the law by some government funded animal rights advocate for being cruel to the hamster and causing it (he/she/they, etc) harm. Very much like the entitled victim narrative which dominates CSA and Family Law. But Andrew Barr also likes to decriminalize Hard Drugs for all, entrenched state debt, Taxpayer funded overseas flights and Human rights (selective depending on want he feels like mandating at the time) and asking people to pay more taxes for his delusions and narcissism.

It's a kind a permanent entrenched pathological narcissism - passive aggressive, entitled victim and hero victim https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9HkEQCShfLA The Two Main Forms of Narcissism Explained | Keith Campbell - Self ejaculation of whimsy.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S_jBwmHXFD4 The Psychology Behind "Nice Guys Finish Last" | Keith Campbell | EP 480 Jordan B Peterson 8.26M subscribers

Thus we are "really" "Good" at making sure Australia includes all tribes in a Diverse, Inclusive and Equal (DIE) kind of way - all tribes - except straight white men. Very much like the Pantheon in Roman Times.

See **Overcoming Tribalism – an Idea of the West** https://humanistman.com/wpcontent/uploads/2024/02/Overcoming-Tribalism-an-Idea-of-the-West.pdf

The Pursuit of Certainty

Humans are full of anxiety about the unknown. The idea of certainty is a big idea.

John Asgill was not a stupid man and he was prepared to argue issues. His argument for money instead of gold and silver makes sense to many people. Yet his argument about eternal life upset many people. It upset their **certain beliefs**. If we look at his assertions we can see that he asserted many things without seeming to noticing them.

Firstly the idea that absolute certainty exists is a big assertion and common amongst the very ignorant and afraid.

This is not only Dan Dennet's "Surely everyone agrees..." but is also "I know I speak for everyone when I say...". In **John Asgill's** example - he assumed the bible stories must be real and true - or at least the parts he selected (Focus Model - Emphasis and Omission).

As far as **certainty** goes - it is one of humankind's most tested, experimented and explored ideas and **has yet to be proven** - as a fact of history - the more we search for certainty the less certainty we find - but we find more things instead - more questions arise.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Uncertainty_principle https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chaos_theory https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wave%E2%80%93particle_duality

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Large_Hadron_Collider The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) is the world's largest and highest-energy particle collider. It was built by the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN) between 1998 and 2008 in collaboration with over 10,000 scientists and hundreds of universities and laboratories across more than 100 countries

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Supersymmetry

https://www.science.org/content/article/einstein-s-spooky-action-distance-spotted-objects-almost-big-enough-see One of the strangest aspects of quantum physics is entanglement: If you observe a particle in one place, another particle—even one light-years away—will instantly change its properties, as if the two are connected by a mysterious communication channel. Scientists have observed this phenomenon in tiny objects such as atoms and electrons. But in two new studies, researchers report seeing entanglement in devices nearly visible to the naked eye.

As I have noted previously the monty hall, doctrine of the mean and binomial theorem are statistical averages not proofs of certainty. See **Habitual Delusion** https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Habitual-Delusion.pdf

One of Rene Descartes' major accomplishments was to provide a written record of his search for certainty. He established a working certainty for himself which is the statement "'I think therefore I am" which was balanced with his other idea "I have doubt".

He questions himself about his certainty.

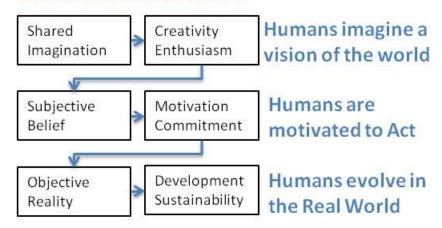
Rene Descartes - Lifespan[1596 to 1650] Born_Loc(La Haye en Touraine, Touraine, Kingdom of France (now Descartes, Indre-et-Loire)) Rank(1) Keyword(Philosophy, Math, Exponents, Science, Geometry, Algebra), Wikidata(Q9191) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ren%C3%A9_Descartes https://en.wiki/Ren%C3%A9_Descartes https://en.wiki/Ren%C3%A9_Descartes https://en.wiki/Ren%C3%A9_Descartes https://en.wiki/Ren%C3%A9_Descartes

This disconnection with reality (of uncertainty) and obsession with belief (of certainty) is very popular amongst the uneducated and weak minded people. It is especially prominent in religious based cultures where things like certain infinite life "eternity", "heaven" and "reincarnation" feature.

People (like children) stay stuck in imagination and belief - they fail to keep a grip on any kind of reality. They walk around like Zombies in a habitually deluded mind state. Not only Muslims - but many believer type people and weak minded (Women, Blacks - entitled tribal victim narrative - on average), Zealots and causists (Greenies, activists, etc), and weak minded "Heroic" men.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zombie (The Cranberries song) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BxrLVldZtmg

Human Lifetime Evolution



See The Habitual Delusion of Entrenched Virtue https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/The-Habitual-Delusion-of-Entrenched-Virtue.pdf

The Price of Stupidity https://humanistman.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/The-Price-of-Stupidity.pdf

It is like someone becoming emotionally fierce about the detail of a novel where they think the characters are real people and the stories are real. A bit like actors in movies now - who are considered by many people to be the nearly like the very people they portray as a character. For example someone who plays the villain is seen in a bad light in real life by many and those who are portrayed as heroes are seen as somehow heroic in real life. Many actors get caught up in their own acting and become deeply entrenched in their own delusion of make-believe - very much like politicians and "celebrities" who believe their own made-up self-publicity. It becomes "their truth".

I call these people deluded narcissistic psychopaths and they seem to have a great influence on the dim-witted and corrupt mobs with similarly minded deluded narcissistic psychopaths forming tyrannical autocracies like we have in Australia, New Zealand and many other places. For example we have dim-witted celebrities who profess their views on politics and science - as if the idea of being "famous" is enough for them to declare some kind of certainty on science, philosophy, maths or politics. Kevin Rudd ejaculated with narcissistic joy over Kate Blanchet as if she was real magical princess at Kevin 07's mind fuck seminar https://www.abc.net.au/news/2008-04-19/2020-summit-

brainstorms-for-progress/2409044 "Some groups have distilled some very specific goals, such as by 2020 all Australians in cities should be living no further than 800 metres from a public transport hub and that by then all homes and buildings will be carbon neutral." It is like the Mob needs a Popular God figure (like a father or mother) to tell them what to certainly do. It is not an https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oedipus_complex it's a kind of - I don't want to face reality - cave of certainty, smug , safe, secure kind of thing. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peter_and_Wendy Peter Pan the Boy who would not grow up. Even before being Stoic or maybe needing a little courage to take on reality. A Nanny State. (Magical Black women, dumpy housewives and princess fairies - Mary Poppins)

Features of these celebrity, fantasists, liars and deluded psychopaths is their display of certainty in everything they do or say. They also tend to look around at people looking directly into their eyes and smile, laugh and nod a lot - looking to invoke group and mob responses as a kind of mob hypnosis. We see Muslim clerics adopt the same techniques as they scream their certain rantings at the dim-witted muslim followers. Watch how Greens/Labour politician behave in parliament - like Muslim preachers. Tanya Plibersek, Matt Keen, Black women vice presidents, Qld Premiers, Attorneys General, Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama and many other Greens/Labour politicians use the same techniques - they feel good and are very happy. They laugh and smile a lot at others and "feel Good" about themselves.

For example Jews believe (from the book of certainty) that they are the **Chosen People**https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jews as the chosen people - but that they are not special at all - just chosen in some kind of magical thinking way - this makes them feel good - it is a subjective belief. This upset other **God believers** who wanted to be" chosen" as well and saw the Jewish tribes as arrogant and divisive in asserting which people are "chosen" and might get to go to **Certain Heaven.**The Muslims then created their own certainty to challenge the tribe of Jews and claim a higher certainty - a kind of certainty to end all certainties (recursion) about 'the God of certainty' and who decides who goes to certain heaven. This is why these religions and many like these are best described as **nihilist death cults** - obsessed with death and utopian fantasies rather than real life. They are obsessed with belief of certainty of death rather than the reality of life. The Human Condition.

Your subjective beliefs are none of my business - believe what you like - that you are God, A Fairy princess, a victim, "chosen", a Tree, etc but don't attack me with your beliefs or ask me to take the knee.

The Courage of Your Convictions

How do you reach a point of having the Courage of your convictions?

Is it belief and delusions or something else? https://www.theoi.com/Daimon/Deimos.html

Older more experienced people who had made mistakes tend to learn from those mistakes and tend to be more careful and better educated about what they are doing rather than younger people who are still learning. Being courageous about something you have no real knowledge of is a different type of courage - more a willingness to try something and inquisitiveness rather than courage to take on something where you know all the dangers.

Necessity of Trade and Projects

Live sheep and cattle exports.

Many countries cannot feed themselves and some counties have wealth but not food. Some countries do not have refrigeration or enough electricity to afford refrigeration. They need to eat so Australia exports live animals on ships to them from large farms in Australia so these people can buy live animals and take them home and kill them to eat. This Trade upsets the Greeny activists and Vegetarians who run the Greens/Labour party so they have made this trade illegal based on their love of sentient animals and hatred of people who eat meat. Australia has enough land to have large farms where animals can graze on grasses and natural food grown in Australia. Many countries export live sheep but Australia is geographically closer to many countries in the Southern Hemisphere so the transport time and costs and survival rates can be better to some countries https://oec.world/en/profile/hs/live-sheep

Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Oman and Qatar are close to Australian ports in Western Australia and the Northern territory for live sheep exports. Indonesia imports live Beef from Australia https://www.beefcentral.com/live-export/se-asia-report-july-2024/

Argentina is also a major Beef exporter - especially to China https://pulse.auctionsplus.com.au/thebox/argentina-banned-beef-exports-then-changed-its-mind China remains the dominant market for Argentina with 77.6 per cent of its beef shipments sent to China in 2022.

The live animal trade is a worldwide business involving many countries.

Trade projects were continuing to develop in London in the 1600's.

At the time of his **Daniel Defoe**'s writing London had been devastated by the Great Plague and the Fire of London (1665 to 1666) and was in period of re-building and renewal. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Great Plague of London

Daniel Defoe extolled the virtues of **Trade and Projects** with **some knowledge and detail** in the same way we had seen in detail and exploration by **Jean-Baptiste Tavernier** on his journeys through muslim dominated regions in Turkey, Iraq, Iran and India.

Jean-Baptiste Tavernier - Lifespan[1605 to 1689] Born_Loc(Paris) Rank(40) Keyword(Merchant, Trader, Explorer, Anthropologist), Wikidata(Q145030) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Baptiste-Tavernier https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Baptiste-Tavernier https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Baptiste-Tavernier https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Baptiste-Tavernier https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Baptiste-Tavernier https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Baptiste-Tavernier https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Baptiste-Tavernier https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Baptiste-Tavernier https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Baptiste-Tavernier https://enlinebooks.library.upenn.edu/webbin/book/lookupid?key=olbp92675 https://enlinebooks.library.upenn.edu/webbin/book/lookupid?key=olbp92675 https://enlinebooks.library.upenn.edu/webbin/book/lookupid?key=olbp92675 https://enlinebooks.library.upenn.edu/webbin/book/lookupid?key=olbp92675 https://enlinebooks.

Different tax rates, charges, needs and wants - were all part of the traders skill to aid profits and taxes for nations at home - as well as the trader. William Dampier explained how profitable the salt mine in Cape Verde at the Porto Ingles Salt-Mine was for his voyage https://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/15675/pg15675-images.html Our nation drives here a great trade for salt, and have commonly a man-of-war here for the guard of our ships and barks that come to take it in; of which I have been informed that in some years there have not been less than 100 in a year. It costs nothing but men's labour to rake it together, and wheel it out of the pond,

except the carriage: and that also is very cheap; the inhabitants having plenty of asses for which they have little to do besides carrying the salt from the ponds to the seaside at the season when ships are here. The inhabitants lade and drive their asses themselves, being very glad to be employed; for they have scarce any other trade but this to get a penny by. The pond is not above half a mile from the landing-place, so that the asses make a great many trips in a day. I stayed at Mayo 6 days and got 7 or 8 ton of salt aboard for my voyage: in which time there came also into this road several sail of merchants ships for salt; all bound with it for Newfoundland.

Daniel Defoe was arguing to make trade part of a **government project - merchants had "homes" -** and not a "privateer/pirate" enterprise or the cost and profit shifting exercises we see with Google and Multinationals now using transfer pricing and other Tax avoidance scams.

AN Essay upon Projects https://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/4087/pg4087-images.html If industry be in any business rewarded with success it is in the merchandising part of the world, who indeed may more truly be said to live by their wits than any people whatsoever. All foreign negotiation, though to some it is a plain road by the help of custom, yet is in its beginning all project, contrivance, and invention. Every new voyage the merchant contrives is a project; and ships are sent from port to port, as markets and merchandises differ, by the help of strange and universal intelligence—wherein some are so exquisite, so swift, and so exact, that a merchant sitting at home in his counting-house at once converses with all parts of the known world. This and travel make a true-bred merchant the most intelligent man in the world, and consequently the most capable, when urged by necessity, to contrive new ways to live. And from hence, I humbly conceive, may very properly be derived the projects, so much the subject of the present discourse. And to this sort of men it is easy to trace the original of banks, stocks, stock-jobbing, assurances, friendly societies, lotteries, and the like.

Daniel Defoe talks honestly about speculation, fads and scams and the share market - many people would have had memory and knowledge of the **Tulip Crises** which affected the Dutch around 1637. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tulip mania but also the arrangement of insurance for maritime projects which was centered around **Lloyds of London** which was a coffee house and meeting place for merchants at the time https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lloyd%27s Coffee House in Tower Street London Lat/Long(51.512748, -0.087497) **Lloyd's Coffee House** was a significant meeting place in London in the 17th and 18th centuries. It was opened by **Edward Lloyd** https://www.lloyds.com/about-lloyds/history/important-people-from-our-past/edward-lloyd

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Wherefore it is necessary to distinguish among the projects of the present times between the honest and the dishonest.

There are, and that too many, fair pretences of fine discoveries, new inventions, engines, and I know not what, which—being advanced in notion, and talked up to great things to be performed when such and such sums of money shall be advanced, and such and such engines are made—have raised the fancies of credulous people to such a height that, merely on the shadow of expectation, they have formed companies, chose committees, appointed officers, shares, and books, raised great stocks, and cried up an empty notion to that degree that people have been betrayed to part with their money for shares in a new nothing; and when the inventors have carried on the jest till they have sold all their

own interest, they leave the cloud to vanish of itself, and the poor purchasers to quarrel with one another, and go to law about settlements, transferrings, and some bone or other thrown among them by the subtlety of the author to lay the blame of the miscarriage upon themselves. Thus the shares at first begin to fall by degrees, and happy is he that sells in time; till, like brass money, it will go at last for nothing at all. So have I seen shares in joint-stocks, patents, engines, and undertakings, blown up by the air of great words, and the name of some man of credit concerned, to £100 for a five-hundredth part or share (some more), and at last dwindle away till it has been stock-jobbed down to £10, £12, £9, £8 a share, and at last no buyer (that is, in short, the fine new word for nothing-worth), and many families ruined by the purchase. If I should name linen manufactures, saltpetre-works, copper mines, diving engines, dipping, and the like, for instances of this, I should, I believe, do no wrong to truth, or to some persons too visibly guilty.

Rediscovering Roads and Highways

Daniel Defoe makes the argument for the road for travel and commerce as part of society - "The Pubic Benefit" - realizing the value of the Romans and their great works. AN Essay upon Projects https://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/4087/pg4087-images.html "The Romans, while they governed this island, made it one of their principal cares to make and repair the highways of the kingdom, and the chief roads we now use are of their marking out; the consequence of maintaining them was such, or at least so esteemed, that they thought it not below them to employ their legionary troops in the work; and it was sometimes the business of whole armies, either when in winter quarters or in the intervals of truce or peace with the natives. Nor have the Romans left us any greater tokens of their grandeur and magnificence than the ruins of those causeways and streetways which are at this day to be seen in many parts of the kingdom, some of which have by the visible remains been discovered to traverse the whole kingdom, and others for more than a hundred miles are to be traced from colony to colony, as they had particular occasion. The famous highway or street called Watling Street, which some will tell you began at London Stone, and passing that very street in the City which we to this day call by that name, went on west to that spot where Tyburn now stands, and then turned north-west in so straight a line to St. Albans that it is now the exactest road (in one line for twenty miles) in the kingdom; and though disused now as the chief, yet is as good, and, I believe, the best road to St. Albans, and is still called the Streetway. From whence it is traced into Shropshire, above a hundred and sixty miles, with a multitude of visible antiquities upon it, discovered and described very accurately by Mr. Cambden. The Fosse, another Roman work, lies at this day as visible, and as plain a high causeway, of above thirty feet broad, ditched on either side, and coped and paved where need is—as exact and every jot as beautiful as the king's new road through Hyde Park, in which figure it now lies from near Marshfield to Cirencester, and again from Cirencester to the Hill, three miles on this side Gloucester, which is not less than twenty-six miles, and is made use of as the great road to those towns, and probably has been so for a thousand years with little repairs.

If we set aside the barbarity and customs of the Romans as heathens, and take them as a civil government, we must allow they were the pattern of the whole world for improvement and increase of arts and learning, civilising and methodising nations and countries conquered by their valour; and if this was one of their great cares, that consideration ought to move something. But to the great example of that generous people I will add three arguments:—

- 1. It is useful, and that as it is convenient for carriages, which in a trading country is a great help to negotiation, and promotes universal correspondence, without which our inland trade could not be managed. And under this head I could name a thousand conveniences of a safe, pleasant, well-repaired highway, both to the inhabitant and the traveller, but I think it is needless.
- 2. It is easy. I question not to make it appear it is easy to put all the highroads, especially in England, in a noble figure; large, dry, and clean; well drained, and free from floods, unpassable sloughs, deep cart-ruts, high ridges, and all the inconveniences they now are full of; and, when once done, much easier still to be maintained so.
- 3. It may be cheaper, and the whole assessment for the repairs of highways for ever be dropped or applied to other uses for the public benefit."
- .." But before I proceed, I must say a word or two to this article.

The chief, and almost the only, cause of the deepness and foulness of the roads is occasioned by the standing water, which (for want of due care to draw it off by scouring and opening ditches and drains, and other watercourses, and clearing of passages) soaks into the earth, and softens it to such a degree that it cannot bear the weight of horses and carriages; to prevent which, the power to dig, trench, and cut down, &c., mentioned above will be of absolute necessity. But because the liberty seems very large, and some may think it is too great a power to be granted to any body of men over their neighbours, it is answered:—

- 1. It is absolutely necessary, or the work cannot be done, and the doing of the work is of much greater benefit than the damage can amount to.
- 2. Satisfaction to be made to the owner (and that first, too, before the damage be done) is an unquestionable equivalent; and both together, I think, are a very full answer to any objection in that case."

The Ministry of Pity

George Orwell wrote for many years warning people in society and governments about the dangers. We know about tryants from the Greeks. We also know how dangerous Draconian Laws are and how Solon showed a less invasive and less harsh way of laws. We know about the religious wars from the thousands of years of history. We know about the Barbarian Hordes from the Huns, Tartars, Khans, Cossacks and other barbaric tribes - Ottomans, Black slave traders and other tribal fanatics.

Now we have an Orwellian Ministry of PITY - or Ministry of Certain Charity called the NDIS - for disabled people but of course it has become instantly corrupt because so much money has been thrown at it. We used to have a charity sector that dealt with things - which is already largely corrupt with Tribal Blacks and Women issues - but now Statism - in a Marxist totaltarian Lawyer (grifters) Authoritarian way has taken over. It is confused - are old people disabled? Do we need a ministry of Old people - what about a ministry for disabled old black Veterans of war and a Veterans Ministry - and so on the ministries go very much like the designated Discrimination Act - on which groups to discriminate against (White men). A ministry of Human Rights, Peace and Humanity (staffed by women and blacks). A Ministry of Truth. A Ministry of Black Truth. A Ministry of Muslim truth.

What used to be done by Church groups, local communities, Benevolent Funds, Friendly Societies

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"Another branch of insurance is by contribution, or (to borrow the term from that before mentioned)

friendly societies; which is, in short, a number of people entering into a mutual compact to help one another in case any disaster or distress fall upon them.", RSLs, a range of small charities based at the community level has turned into large corrupt unmanageable business (like town councils and Pokies in Clubs) for corrupt to exploit for their own personal gain at Taxpayer's expense. The "Charities" Sector. The "United" Nations grifters https://www.unrwa.org/ UNRWA - Funding Muslim terrorists and tribal warfare with Smug Virtue signaling (supported by the tribal types - Penny Wong using Australian taxpayer funds)

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We know how tribes take over things - Women, Blacks, Religious groups etc. We saw that in Charities Sector - relationships Australia is dominated by Women for example who help women get as much money as they can from men. Black charities are for blacks. Religious Charities, etc. The Tribal corruption continues to infest everything. Families, Communities and Good people are replaced by State Controlled tribes, grafters, thieves and corrupt virtue signalers and profiteers like Bill Shorten, Sally McManus and Greens/Labour types - grifting their virtue and pity while paying themselves large amounts of money - Not the Francis of Assisi types.

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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The Road to Wigan Pier Gollancz was not only a successful publisher but also a dedicated social reformer. "As a social reformer, a socialist, and an idealist, Gollancz had an unquestioning, perhaps overly optimistic, faith in education; if only people could be made to know the nature of poverty, he thought, they would want to eradicate it, remove from power the government that tolerated it, and transform the economic system that brought it into being."[5] As a successful publisher however, he knew that to reach a large audience he needed something more than a collection of facts, statistics, graphs and dogmatic conclusions.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Victor Gollancz Gollancz once said: "I hate everything that is pro and anti (different peoples). I am only one thing: I am pro-humanity."

"She had a round pale face, the usual exhausted face of the slum girl who is twenty-five and looks forty, thanks to miscarriages and drudgery; and it wore, for the second in which I saw it, the most desolate, hopeless expression I have ever seen. It struck me then that we are mistaken when we say that 'It isn't the same for them as it would be for us,' and that people bred in the slums can imagine nothing but the slums. For what I saw in her face was not the ignorant suffering of an animal. She knew well enough what was happening to her--understood as well as I did how dreadful a destiny it was to be kneeling there in the bitter cold, on the slimy stones of a slum backyard, poking a stick up a foul drain-pipe."

"all of us_really_ owe the comparative decency of our lives to poor drudges underground, blackened to the eyes, with their throats full of coal dust, driving their shovels forward with arms and belly muscles of steel."

"I sometimes think that the price of liberty is not so much eternal vigilance as eternal dirt. There are some Corporation estates in which new tenants are systematically de-loused before being allowed into their houses. All their possessions except what they stand up in are taken away from them, fumigated, and sent on to the new house. This procedure has its points, for it is a pity that people should take bugs into brand new houses (a bug will follow you about in your luggage if he gets half a chance), but it is the kind of thing that makes you wish that the word 'hygiene' could be dropped out of the dictionary. Bugs are bad, but a state of affairs in which men will allow themselves to be dipped like sheep is worse. 'Perhaps, however, when it is a case of slum clearance, one must take for granted a certain amount of restrictions and inhumanity. When all is said and done, the most important thing is that people shall live in decent houses and not in pigsties. I have seen too much of slums to go into Chestertonian raptures about them. A place where the children can breathe clean air, and women have a few conveniences to save them from drudgery, and a man has a bit of garden to dig in, must be better than the slinking back-streets of Leeds and Sheffield. On balance, the Corporation Estates are better than the slums; but only by a small margin."

"When a quarter of a million miners are unemployed, it is part of the order of things that Alf Smith, a miner living in the back streets of Newcastle, should be out of work. Alf Smith is merely one of the quarter million, a statistical unit. But no human being finds it easy to regard himself as a statistical unit."

Of course the post-war development of cheap luxuries has been a very fortunate thing for our rulers. It is quite likely that fish-and-chips, art-silk stockings, tinned salmon, cut-price chocolate (five two-ounce bars for sixpence), the movies, the radio, strong tea, and the Football Pools have between them averted revolution. Therefore we are some-times told that the whole thing is an astute manoeuvre by the governing class--a sort of 'bread and circuses' business--to hold the unemployed down. What I have seen of our governing class does not convince me that they have that much intelligence. The thing has happened, but by an un-conscious process--the quite natural interaction between the manufacturer's need for a market and the need of half-starved people for cheap palliatives."

"I have dwelt on these subjects because they are vitally important. To get rid of class-distinctions you have got to start by understanding how one class appears when seen through the eyes of another. It is useless to say that the middle classes are 'snobbish' and leave it at that. You get no further if you do not realize that snobbishness is bound up with a species of idealism. It derives from the early training in which a middle-class child is taught almost simultaneously to wash his neck, to be ready to die for his country, and to despise the 'lower classes'.

"If you want a good illustration of this, it is worth studying the novels and plays of **John Galsworthy**, keeping one eye on their chronology. Galsworthy is a very fine specimen of the thin-skinned, tear-in-the-eye, pre-war humanitarian. He starts out with a morbid pity-complex which extends even to thinking that every married woman is an angel chained to a satyr. He is in a perpetual quiver of indignation over the sufferings of overworked clerks, of under-paid farm hands, of fallen women, of criminals, of prostitutes, of animals. The world, as he sees it in his earlier books (_The Man of

Property_, _Justice_, etc.), is divided into **oppressors and oppressed**, with the oppressors sitting on top like some monstrous stone idol which all the dynamite in the world cannot overthrow. But is it so certain that he really wants it overthrown? On the contrary, in his fight against an immovable tyranny he is upheld by the consciousness that it is immovable. When things happen unexpectedly and the world-order which he has known begins to crumble, he feels somewhat differently about it. So, having set out to be the **champion of the underdog against tyranny and injustice**, he ends by advocating (_vide The Silver Spoon_) that the English working class, to cure their economic ills, shall be deported to the colonies like batches of cattle. If he had lived ten years longer he would quite probably have arrived at some **genteel version of Fascism**. This is **the inevitable fate of the sentimentalist**. All his opinions change into their opposites at the first brush of reality."

"Meanwhile one can observe on every side that dreary phenomenon, the middle-class person who is an ardent Socialist at twenty-five and a sniffish Conservative at thirty-five. In a way his recoil is natural enough--at any rate, one can see how his thoughts run. Perhaps a classless society doesn't mean a beatific state of affairs in which we shall all go on behaving exactly as before except that there will be no class-hatred and no snobbishness; perhaps it means a bleak world in which all our ideals, our codes, our tastes--our 'ideology', in fact--will have no meaning. Perhaps this class-breaking business isn't so simple as it looked! On the contrary, it is a wild ride into the darkness, and it may be that at the end of it the smile will be on the face of the tiger. With loving though slightly patronizing smiles we set out to greet our proletarian brothers, and behold! our proletarian brothers--in so far as we understand them--are not asking for our greetings, they are asking us to commit suicide. When the bourgeois sees it in that form he takes to flight, and if his flight is rapid enough it may carry him to Fascism."

"The fact is that Socialism, _in the form in which it is now presented, appeals chiefly to unsatisfactory or even inhuman types. On the one hand you have the warm-hearted un-thinking Socialist, the typical working-class Socialist, who only wants to abolish poverty and does not always grasp what this implies. On the other hand, you have the intellectual, book-trained Socialist, who understands that it is necessary to throw our present civilization down the sink and is quite willing to do so. And this type is drawn, to begin with, entirely from the middle class, and from a rootless town-bred section of the middle class at that. Still more unfortunately, it includes--so much so that to an outsider it even appears to be composed of--the kind of people I have been discussing; the foaming denouncers of the bourgeoisie, and the more-water-in-your-beer reformers of whom Shaw is the prototype, and the astute young social-literary climbers who are Communists now, as they will be Fascists five years hence, because it is all the go, and all that dreary tribe of high-minded' women and sandal-wearers and bearded fruit-juice drinkers who come nocking towards the smell of 'progress' like bluebottles to a dead cat.

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"Ever since he came to power—till then, like nearly everyone, I had been deceived into thinking that he did not matter—I have reflected that I would certainly kill him if I could get within reach of him, but that I could feel no personal animosity. The fact is that there is something deeply appealing about him. One feels it again when one sees his photographs—and I recommend especially the photograph at the beginning of Hurst and Blackett's edition, which shows Hitler in his early Brownshirt days. It is a pathetic, dog-like face, the face of a man suffering under intolerable wrongs. In a rather more manly way it reproduces the expression of innumerable pictures of Christ crucified, and there is little doubt that that is how Hitler sees himself. The initial, personal cause of his grievance against the universe can only be guessed at; but at any rate the grievance is here. He is the martyr, the victim, Prometheus chained to the rock, the self-sacrificing hero who fights single-handed against impossible odds. If he were killing a mouse he would know how to make it seem like a dragon. One feels, as with Napoleon, that he is fighting against destiny, that he can't win, and yet that he somehow deserves to. The attraction of such a pose is of course enormous; half the films that one sees turn upon some such theme."

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"The whole left-wing ideology, scientific and Utopian, was evolved by people who had no immediate prospect of attaining power. It was, therefore, an extremist ideology, utterly contemptuous of kings, governments, laws, prisons, police forces, armies, flags, frontiers, patriotism, religion, conventional morality, and, in fact, the whole existing scheme of things. Until well within living memory the forces of the Left in all countries were fighting against a tyranny which appeared to be invincible, and it was easy to assume that if only THAT particular tyranny—capitalism—could be overthrown, Socialism would follow. Moreover, the Left had inherited from Liberalism certain distinctly questionable beliefs, such as the belief that the truth will prevail and persecution defeats itself, or that man is naturally good and is only corrupted by his environment.

This perfectionist ideology has persisted in nearly all of us, and it is in the name of it that we protest when (for instance) a Labour government votes huge incomes to the King's daughters or shows hesitation about nationalising steel. But we have also accumulated in our minds a whole series of unadmitted contradictions, as a result of successive bumps against reality.

The first big bump was the Russian Revolution. For somewhat complex reasons, nearly the whole of the English Left has been driven to accept the Russian régime as "Socialist", while silently recognising that its spirit and practice are quite alien to anything that is meant by "Socialism" in this country. Hence there has arisen a sort of schizophrenic manner of thinking, in which words like "democracy" can bear two irreconcilable meanings, and such things as concentration camps and mass deportations can be right and wrong simultaneously. The next blow to the left-wing ideology was the rise of Fascism, which shook the pacifism and internationalism of the Left without bringing about a definite restatement of doctrine. The experience of German occupation taught the European peoples something that the colonial peoples knew already, namely, that class antagonisms are not all-

important and that there is such a thing as national interest. After Hitler it was difficult to maintain seriously that "the enemy is in your own country" and that national independence is of no value. But though we all know this and act upon it when necessary, we still feel that to say it aloud would be a kind of treachery. And finally, the greatest difficulty of all, there is the fact that the Left is now in power and is obliged to take responsibility and make genuine decisions.

Left governments almost invariably disappoint their supporters because, even when the prosperity which they have promised is achievable, there is always need of an uncomfortable transition period about which little has been said beforehand. At this moment we see our own Government, in its desperate economic straits, fighting in effect against its own past propaganda. The crisis that we are now in is not a sudden unexpected calamity, like an earthquake, and it was not caused by the war, but merely hastened by it. Decades ago it could be foreseen that something of this kind was going to happen. Ever since the nineteenth century our national income, dependent partly on interest from foreign investments, and on assured markets and cheap raw materials in colonial countries, had been extremely precarious. It was certain that, sooner or later, something would go wrong and we should be forced to make our exports balance our imports: and when that happened the British standard of living, including the working-class standard, was bound to fall, at least temporarily. Yet the left-wing parties, even when they were vociferously anti-imperialist, never made these facts clear."

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"After a detailed, itemized analysis aimed to show that a great number of Tolstoy's arguments are false, dishonest and malicious, Orwell identifies Tolstoy's chief quarrel with Shakespeare as "the quarrel between the religious and the humanist attitude towards life." The exuberance with life that characterizes Shakespeare, his interest in everything, the poetic brilliance – the very qualities for which people tend to admire Shakespeare – are precisely the qualities that make him unendurable to Tolstoy, who preached austerity and whose "main aim, in his later years, was to narrow the range of human consciousness. One's interests, one's points of attachment to the physical world and the

day-to-day struggle, must be as few and not as many as possible." Since Shakespeare's attitude to life threatens Tolstoy's, Tolstoy is incapable of enjoying Shakespeare and mounts an assault on him in order to try to ensure that others cannot enjoy him either."

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How do you Frame a Man - Arguments - Yes, But

I had an argument with my partner last night. I had explained that I had reread and visited George Orwell's history and time and had decided that he is still ranked in the 1 category on my list and can be characterized by the following **keywords** (I asserted) -

Humanism, Journalist, Realist, Analyst, Explorer, Thinker, Writer, Debater, Society, Government, Critical Thinking

And she said that he was a Socialist

I said that is not how I see him.

She said "Yes, But - he was on record as being socialist"

I said "I have looked at as much as I can and explored his work, have you?"

She Said "I have read 1984, but he picked up a Gun"

And so on - what we arguing about only became more clear to me after the event.

At one stage she said "Why do you want me to agree with you?" - I Don't - we do not have to agree on anything and I do not have to convince you of anything or get upset if you have a different opinion - it is after all, simply an opinion.

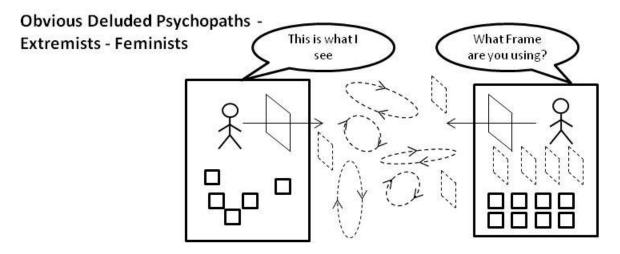
But sometimes I do get upset and then I have to reflect on it later to try to make sense of what I was upset about.

As usual - it was a communication breakdown - which is the source of many upsetting arguments.

I can explain my frames and how I reached my opinion and you can explain your frame and how you reached your opinion. You can say "Well I read one of his Books and this is what I think". Then I can say I read all of his books and books of other people around him at the time and studied all people in his time and through history to develop some classification system and having looked at nearly 50,000 people throughout history he stands out because of these key things that I mentioned (Am I trying to claim the role of the 'Expert'? Am I a Sanctimonious and Smug prick?). We have to provide some context around our position.

It is important to discuss this because it is the nature of many arguments in humanity. I have explored this in many previous articles.

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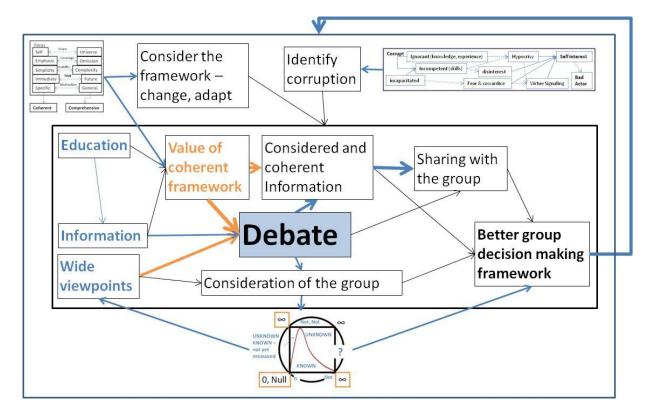


So one of the ideas that emerges is the idea of **conceding the point**.

Imagine a room full of adult people where I am at the front expressing my view and everyone else adds their own frame. I have to concede every factual point made so that everyone believes their voice has been herd. I cannot dismiss the facts - nor can I dismiss the person out of hand (a rush to judgement) I must try to understand the point being made i.e. he described himself as socialist or was seen as a socialist one time and he did pick up a gun in Spain and so on. This is also part of the Emphasis and Omission continuum on the FOCUS model. Everyone needs to see that all the voices have been heard and their ideas respected or else we might miss something important and stay with our confirmation bias and sunk costs.

I need to stop being so defensive when someone challenges my opinions or beliefs.

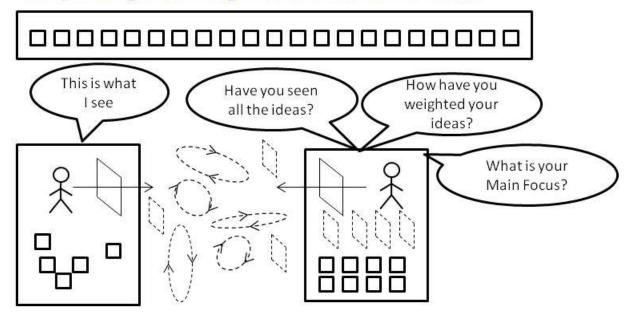
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Our debates also show how we weight our ideas - which ideas we think are more important than others

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This **conceding of points takes some time and effort** - especially depending on the nature of the people in the room. For example one technique is for each victim group to cast the slings and arrows like:

- 1. He did not actively support Lesbians
- 2. He failed to recognize Gay Whales and their significance in the "Song Lines" of the Blacks
- 3. He was a white male colonizer
- 4. He did not give me a Lolly when I asked for it
- 5. He ran away from Spain
- 6. He lied some times
- 7. I heard he drank alcohol

So - to a large extent - if you are to have the discussion you need to frame the framing process itself.

e.g. *I am about to try to Frame George Orwell*. I am attempting to describe what the key points about the man were - the most salient and important bits in a humistman kind of general frame while not mentioning absolutely everything about the man.

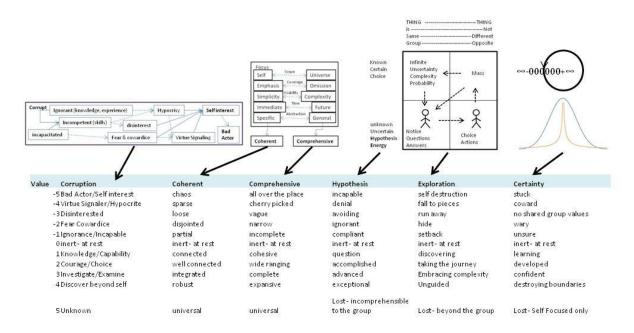
So it is really a series of discussions talking about frames and getting a shared understand of things and context until such time as you can get to the subject matter itself. This is one of my faults - I tend to go straight to the point as a shock tactic rather than explain all the frames of context.

But we still have to concede many points and again this takes time. At the end of the day it is only my opinion and everyone else's opinion - maybe some new generally unknown facts emerge - but what we do LEARN FORM THE EXERCISE - is the FRAMES THAT PEOPLE TEND TO USE

For example - the Frame that women tend to use (on Average) is the feminist frame and the **entitled victim narrative**. Same with the Blacks. Same with Muslims who see things as a religious frame and victim narrative - which is why Ed Husic (Muslim extremist) insists on bringing many muslims into Australia - this is his frame of reference - giving government aid, money and support to muslims - like Penny Wong who gives Taxpayer funds to Hamas Terrorists and Muslims (to buy Muslim votes) - like the women and blacks who all think the same way and do the same kind of things for their tribe "Whatever it takes" no matter the cost to the Taxpayer or how corrupt they are.

So - because of these tribes - you only need one person from each tribe in the room - One women, One Black, One Muslim, One Jew - and so on, because they all say the same tribal narratives - they see themselves as tribes and think as tribes. The Women and Blacks narrative is "We are the Victims here" - after that nothing is added (Except - "Everyone must do what I want" - screamed loudly like university students, BLM activists and other smug self-righteous "causists") - it is simply repeated as a permanent entitled victim narrative - no matter what the discussion is about. Like the mass of Chinese - they add nothing to the Debate - one Chinese has the same official stance as every other Chinese (if not they are locked up in jail and "re-education" camps) - they see that as their main strength - tribal numbers - not ideas. They are proud of being the same tribe and thinking the same way. Same for Lawyers, Accountants, Bankers - they act in their own interests as cartels and tribes of profiteers. Their Tribal Truth is the only truth, facts and frames. There is no other.

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George Orwell was not corrupt, he was **coherent** and **comprehensive** and ranged across the **Focus model**. He **hypothesized** and **explored** physically and intellectual the issues and people, places and time and he was not overconfident. He did his best to understand reality authentically as best he could and he lived at a time when the world was in turmoil. Political systems and people all over the world were in major upheaval. Fascism, Socialism, Communism, Anarchy, etc were being argued discussed and implemented in many places. He and his writings are important in human history - in my opinion.

Recent Investigations

Mid to late 1600s. George Orwell.

Recent People

Prince Rupert of the Rhine, Duke of Cumberland/Rupert - Lifespan[1619 to 1682] Born_Loc(Prague, Bohemia, Holy Roman Empire) Rank(80) Keyword(Warrior, Science, Politics, War, Cavalry, Government), Wikidata(Q76930) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prince_Rupert_of_the_Rhine https://www.britannica.com/biography/Prince-Rupert-English-commander https://www.westminster-abbey.org/abbey-commemorations/royals/prince-rupert-of-the-rhine

Recent Messages

'Others break the bounds of laws to satisfy that general law of nature, and turn open thieves, house-breakers, highwaymen, clippers, coiners, &c., till they run the length of the gallows, and get a deliverance the nearest way at St. Tyburn.

Others, being masters of more cunning than their neighbours, turn their thoughts to private methods of trick and cheat, a modern way of thieving every jot as criminal, and in some degree worse than the other, by which honest men are gulled with fair pretences to part from their money, and then left to take their course with the author, who skulks behind the curtain of a protection, or in the Mint or Friars, and bids defiance as well to honesty as the law.' - Author(**Daniel Defoe**) Year[1697] Age(37)

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An Essay Upon Projects - Document[1697] Rank(10) Author(**Daniel Defoe**) Age(37) Keyword(Group Development Government, Society, Civil Service, Economy, Education, Debate, Banks, Tax, Pensions)

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Defoe's "Essay on Projects" was the first volume he published, and no great writer ever published a first book more characteristic in expression of his tone of thought. It is practical in the highest degree, while running over with fresh speculation that seeks everywhere the well-being of society by growth of material and moral power. There is a wonderful fertility of mind, and almost whimsical precision of detail, with good sense and good humour to form the groundwork of a happy English style. Defoe in this book ran again and again into sound suggestions that first came to be realised long after he was dead. Upon one subject, indeed, the education of women, we have only just now caught him up. Defoe wrote the book in 1692 or 1693, when his age was a year or two over thirty, and he published it in 1697.

https://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/4087/pg4087-images.html To these assessors should all the old rates, parish books, poor rates, and highway rates, also be delivered; and upon due inquiry to be made into the manner of living, and reputed wealth of the people, the stock or personal estate of every man should be assessed, without connivance; and he who is reputed to be worth a thousand pounds should be taxed at a thousand pounds, and so on; and he who was an overgrown rich tradesman of twenty or thirty thousand pounds estate should be taxed so, and plain English and plain dealing be practised indifferently throughout the kingdom; tradesmen and landed men should have neighbours' fare, as we call it, and a rich man should not be passed by when a poor man pays.

We read of the inhabitants of Constantinople, that they suffered their city to be lost for want of contributing in time for its defence, and pleaded poverty to their generous emperor when he went from house to house to persuade them; and yet when the Turks took it, the prodigious immense wealth they found in it, made them wonder at the sordid temper of the citizens.

England (with due exceptions to the Parliament, and the freedom wherewith they have given to the public charge) is much like Constantinople; we are involved in a dangerous, a chargeable, but withal a most just and necessary war, and the richest and moneyed men in the kingdom plead poverty; and the French, or King James, or the devil may come for them, if they can but conceal their estates from the public notice, and get the assessors to tax them at an under rate.

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 https://en.wikipedia.org/cache/epub/4087/pg4087-images.html Necessity, which is

 allowed to be the mother of invention, has so violently agitated the wits of men at this time that it seems not at all improper, by way of distinction, to call it the Projecting Age. For though in times of war and public confusions the like humour of invention has seemed to stir, yet, without being partial to the present, it is, I think, no injury to say the past ages have never come up to the degree of projecting and inventing, as it refers to matters of negotiation and methods of civil polity, which we see this age arrived to.
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Phips's investors.[16] Phips earned a widespread reputation for "continually finding sunken ships" https://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/4087/pg4087-images.html However, this sort of projects comes under no reflection as to their honesty, save that there is a kind of honesty a man owes to himself and to his family that prohibits him throwing away his estate in impracticable, improbable adventures; but still some hit, even of the most unlikely, of which this was one of **Sir William Phips**, who brought home a cargo of silver of near £200,000 sterling, in pieces of eight, fished up out of the open sea, remote from any shore, from an old Spanish ship which had been sunk above forty years.

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- portion of the genius of Pope, without his querulous discontent. In 1714 he engaged with them in a design to write a satire on the abuses of human learning in every branch, which was to have been executed in the manner of Cervantes, under the history of feigned adventures. They had observed that these abuses still kept their ground against all that the gravest and ablest authors could say to discredit them. They concluded, therefore, that the force of ridicule was wanting to quicken their disgrace, which was here in its place, when the abuses had already been detected by sober reasoning, and truth was in no danger of suffering by the premature use of so powerful an instrument.
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