

Module 10 Assignment

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- a. A key idea that I have learned is the importance of having a liberal-minded approach when consuming news, particularly when it comes to politics. Being liberal-minded does not necessarily mean having a specific ideology, but rather possessing intellectual virtues such as autonomy, honesty, humility, empathy, and confidence in reasoning.
- b. In other words by cultivating intellectual virtues, individuals can avoid being influenced by biased political news and misinformation. They can critically analyse information from various sources and form their own opinions based on reason and ethical responsibility without being bound by party affiliation. This mindset allows for an objective viewpoint and promotes informed decision-making when it comes to political issues.
- c. An example of this idea manifesting in the real world is that many TV channels in Turkey, especially the National Channel, have started to be manipulated by the government. In the beginning, the government's aim was obvious. The news tried to make it look like the people were very happy, that everything was going very well, but as the complaints of people on the street and the number of people speaking out on social media increased, people realized that this was not realistic and started watching other channels and getting information from different sources. In fact, by banning some channels or arresting some journalists, the government was not able to prevent people from getting the facts.
- d. I think the following comics explain very well an analogy or example of this idea.
<https://toonhole.com/2017/11/open-minded/>



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- a. A key idea that I have learned that is impossible to include every detail in a news story. By acknowledging and merging various viewpoints, we can aim for a more precise and comprehensive comprehension of ongoing events.
- b. In other words, by carefully considering multiple perspectives, journalists can strive to provide a more accurate representation of the world around us.

- c. An example of this idea manifesting in the real world is a TV channel in Turkey with a different view revealed that the government, which publicly supported Gaza during the conflict with Israel, provided Israel with aviation fuel and iron for war purposes. This statement caused an immediate loss of confidence among government supporters.
- d. An analogy or illustration of this idea can be described as follows just like in the story of the 6 blind men and the elephant, they try to identify this animal they do not know by touching it, but each of them defines it according to the part they touch; He who touches its trunk says that it resembles a snake; The one who touches his leg claims that it looks like a tree trunk. This story of the blind men and the elephant illustrates the idea that perception can be limited and subjective, leading to different interpretations of the same reality. Each blind man's experience with a different part of the elephant-shaped their understanding of what the animal looked like and emphasized the importance of considering multiple perspectives and being open to different points of view to better understand a situation.

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- a. A key idea that I have learned is the issue of fake news is increasingly prevalent and well-documented, the term itself is often misused to discredit news sources or stories that one simply disagrees with, or wishes were untrue.
- b. In other words that the fake news refers to intentionally fabricated information spread through digital platforms, but the misuse of the term has unfortunately become a common tactic to dismiss legitimate reporting that may be uncomfortable or conflicting for certain individuals or groups. This misuse detracts from the seriousness of the actual problem of deliberate misinformation and undermines the credibility of honest journalism.
- c. An example of this idea manifesting in the real world is a recent news story displayed a manipulated photo from a meeting of the main opposition party in Turkey, distorted through photomontage. This defamatory report painted a negative picture, although another news outlet later revealed the real photo and confirmed that the fake photo was produced through photomontage.
- d. An analogy or illustration of this idea can be described as follows confessing his sin of gossiping, a parishioner sought relief from the priest, who instructed him to bring a feather pillow from home. Following the priest's orders, the man fetched the pillow, only to watch as the priest sliced it open on a rooftop, causing the feathers to scatter in the wind. The priest then challenged the man to gather all the feathers, symbolizing the irreversible nature of spoken words.