What is Propaganda?



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Definition

•Manipulation of information to influence public opinion

•The spreading of ideas, facts information, claims, or rumors for the purpose of helping OR hurting an institution, a cause, or a person

Characteristics of Propaganda

- Propaganda's persuasive techniques are regularly applied by politicians, advertisers, journalists, radio personalities, and others who are interested in influencing human behavior
- Propagandistic messages can be used to accomplish positive social ends, as in campaigns to reduce drunk driving, but they are also used to win elections and to sell products



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Propaganda

- Persuading with BRIEF techniques not massive amounts of facts (flyers, pins, ads, slogans, etc.)
- Can manipulate people or distort information

Often appeals to emotions



Examples of Propaganda



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- During World War II, propaganda was used by nations (Russia & the United States) on both sides to shape public opinion and build loyalty
- The Nazis used propaganda to promote Nazism, anti-Semitism, and the belief of an Aryan master race
- Nazi propaganda was delivered through the Nazi-controlled mass media, banners, posters, and in fanatical/passionate speeches to audiences at mass rallies

What are Slogans?

Definition

- A motto; a saying
- A phrase expressing the aims or nature of an enterprise, organization, or candidate
- A memorable phrase used repeatedly in advertising or for political promotion
- **Synonyms:** advertising, announcement, brainwashing, misinformation, maxiums, hype, promotion, publication, publicity

Public Service Slogans

• "Click it or"



• "Drive sober or you'll get ..."



Characteristics of Slogans

- A type of propaganda; a core part of propaganda
- Memorable
- Mentions the brand name
- Includes a key benefit
- Conveys positive feelings for the brand
- Strategic
- Original
- Simple
- Believable



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Examples of Slogans

Two main categories:

- **Political slogan:** generally expresses a goal or aim that sums up a thought or belief
 - "Make love not war" against the War in Vietnam.
 - "War on Terror" George W. Bush
- <u>Advertising slogan</u>: is most often intended as a memorable identifier
 - -"The Happiest Place on Earth"

Disney

- "When you care enough to send the very best" Hallmark



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