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Censorship, a Concise Context

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"Some day, even the experts will figure out, that crime is not caused by rap music...or even my music, but by a power structure of self-absorbed property owners so brain dead and stupid they won't even see that if you're too goddamn greedy to pay taxes for schools and services, they're not going to be any good any more! And that uneducated time bombs are a very poor investment as a future workforce. And if you go on teaching people that life is cheap, and leave them to rot in ghettos and jails, they may one day feel justified in coming back to rob and kill you. Duh!"

Jello Biafra, Home Alive: The Art of Self-Defense

Rationale, History, Taxonomy

Moral: Obscenity/Pornography

Religious: Blasphemy, Self-Preservation

Military: Operational Security (OpSec), Self-

Preservation

Political: Anti-Rebellion, Self-Preservation

Corporate: Anti-Espionage, Self-Preservation

Narwhals!



Let's Talk about Narcissism

Symptoms of this disorder, as defined by the DSM-IV-TR, include:

- Expects to be recognized as superior and special, without superior accomplishments
- Expects constant attention, admiration and positive reinforcement from others
- Envies others and believes others envy him/her
- Is preoccupied with thoughts and fantasies of great success, enormous attractiveness, power, intelligence
- Lacks the ability to empathize with the feelings or desires of others
- Is arrogant in attitudes and behavior
- Has expectations of special treatment that are unrealistic

Other symptoms in addition to the ones defined by DSM-IV-TR include: Is interpersonally exploitative, i.e., takes advantage of others to achieve his or her own ends, has trouble keeping healthy relationships with others, easily hurt or rejected, appears unemotional, and exaggerating special achievements and talents, setting unrealistic goals for himself/herself.

Self-Preservation



Censorship Today

What are the Goals?

- FUD: Fear, Uncertainty, Doubt
- Destroy the Free Press*
- Fragment and Divide: Make Reliable
 Information Confusing and Difficult to Find

* Well, only credible, investigative journalism

"Capitalism" and Censorship

- No direct means to censor information
- Just consolidate media and its credentials
- Sell-out popular media, by creating conflicts of interest by funding through advertisements or grants
- Encourage advertisement as "reporting" and manipulate informing the <u>public</u>

Is This an Ad or an Expose?



Venezuela: United States 2025





Censorship is Not Fascism

Censorship is not Overt

Censorship is not Apparent

Censorship is not Blacklists, Boots, Force

Censorship is all around us.

Considerations, Meditations

Think about the Media you Consume.

Consider if you are the **Product**.

What Media can you access?

Are you privileged to some information and not other information?

How can you tell the difference?