

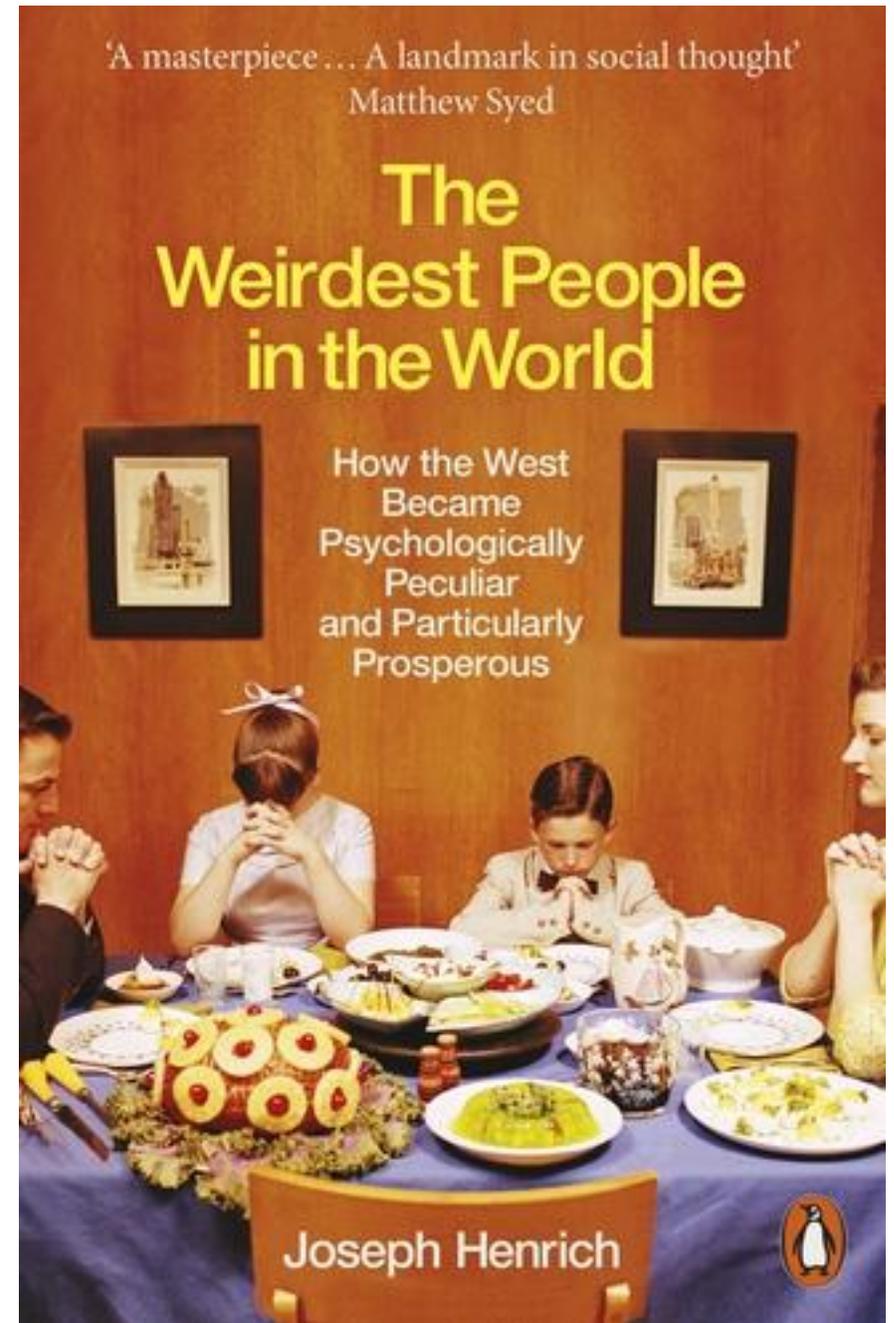
Personalised Learning in an Age of Uncertainty

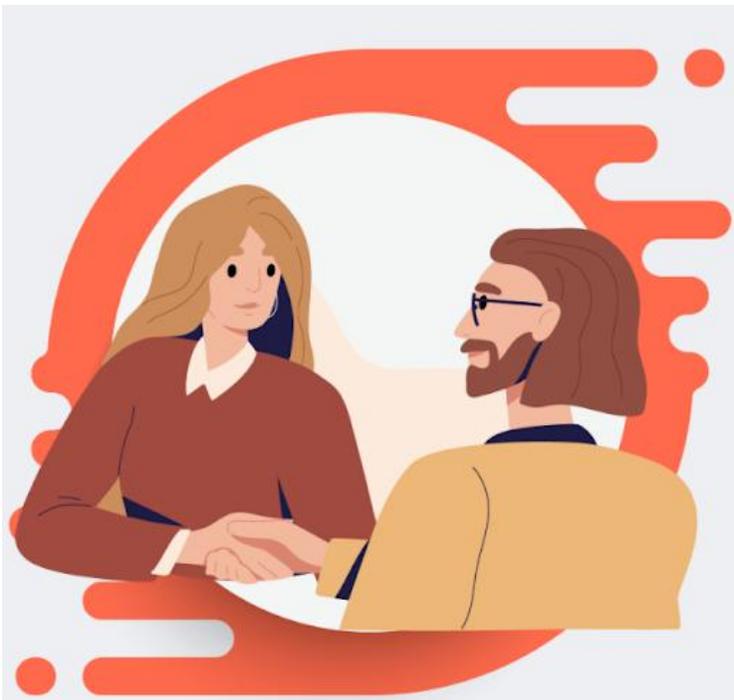
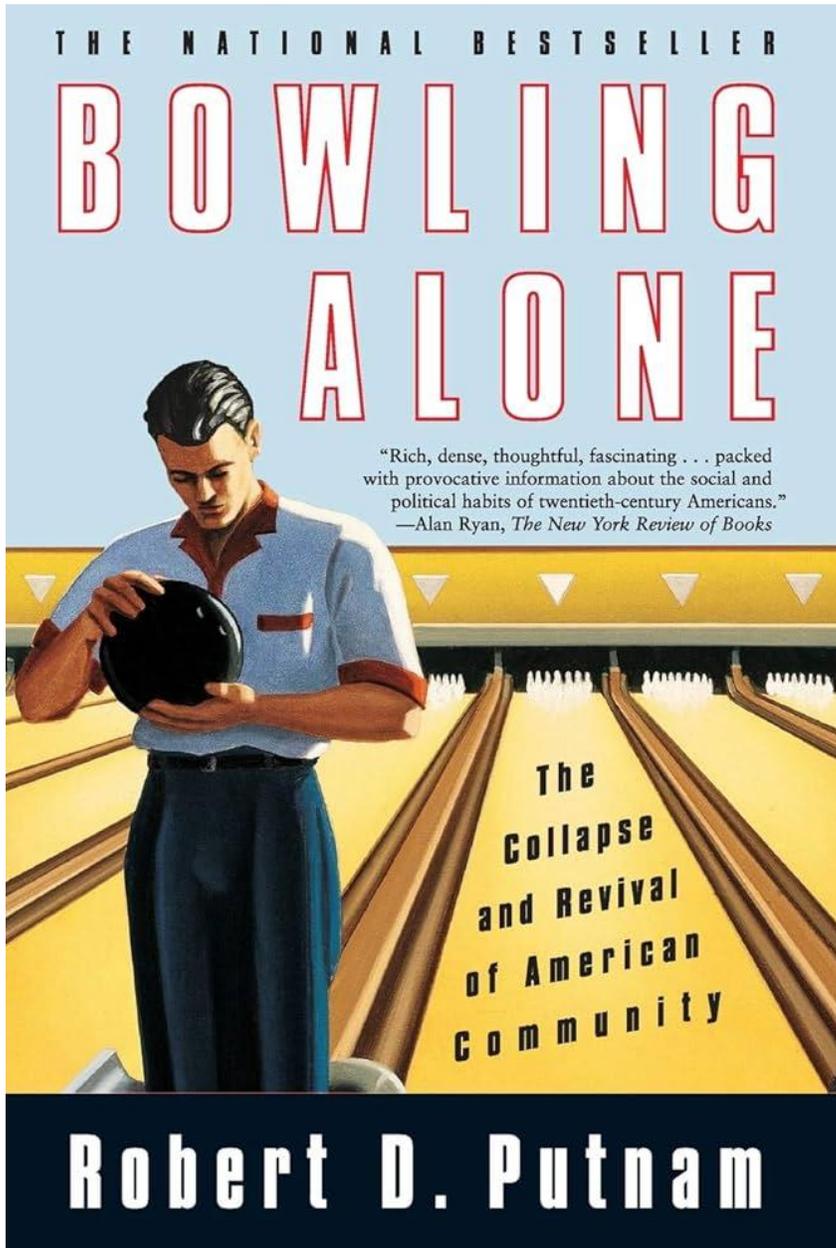


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The limits of being WEIRD:

W Western
E Educated
I Industrialised
R Rich
D Democratic





**Bridging
Social Capital**



**Bonding
Social Capital**

Hannah Arendt:
‘Agonistic pluralism’
**“Fighting without
hatred”**





CULTURAL
CAPITAL



CRITICAL
THINKING

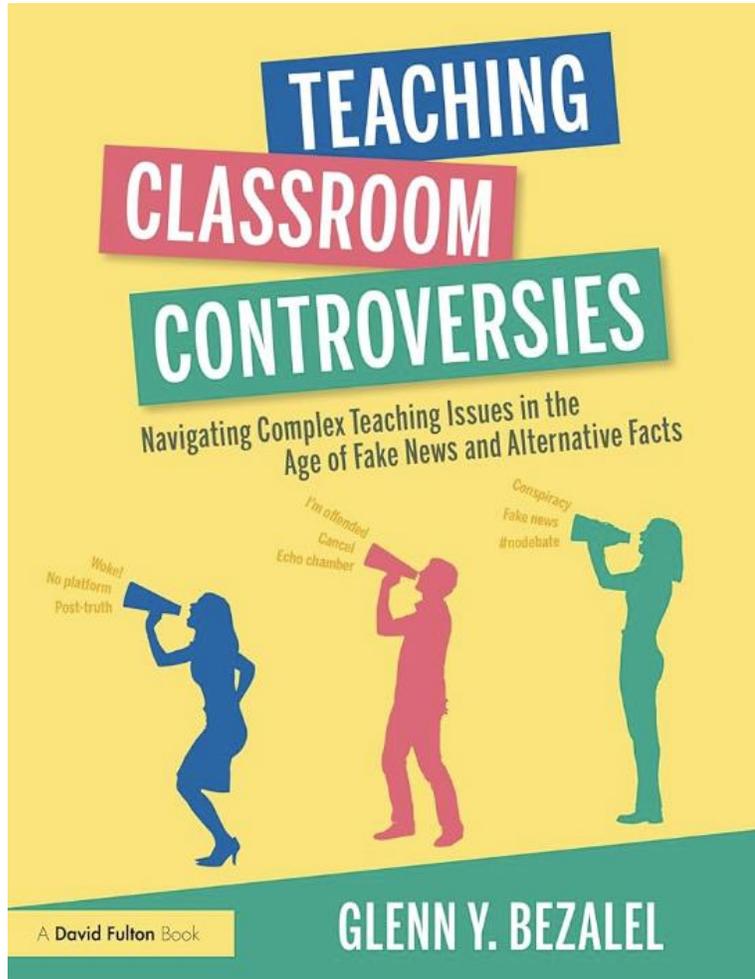


CHARACTER
EDUCATION



COMMUNICATION

On young people's minds...



Relationships

Free
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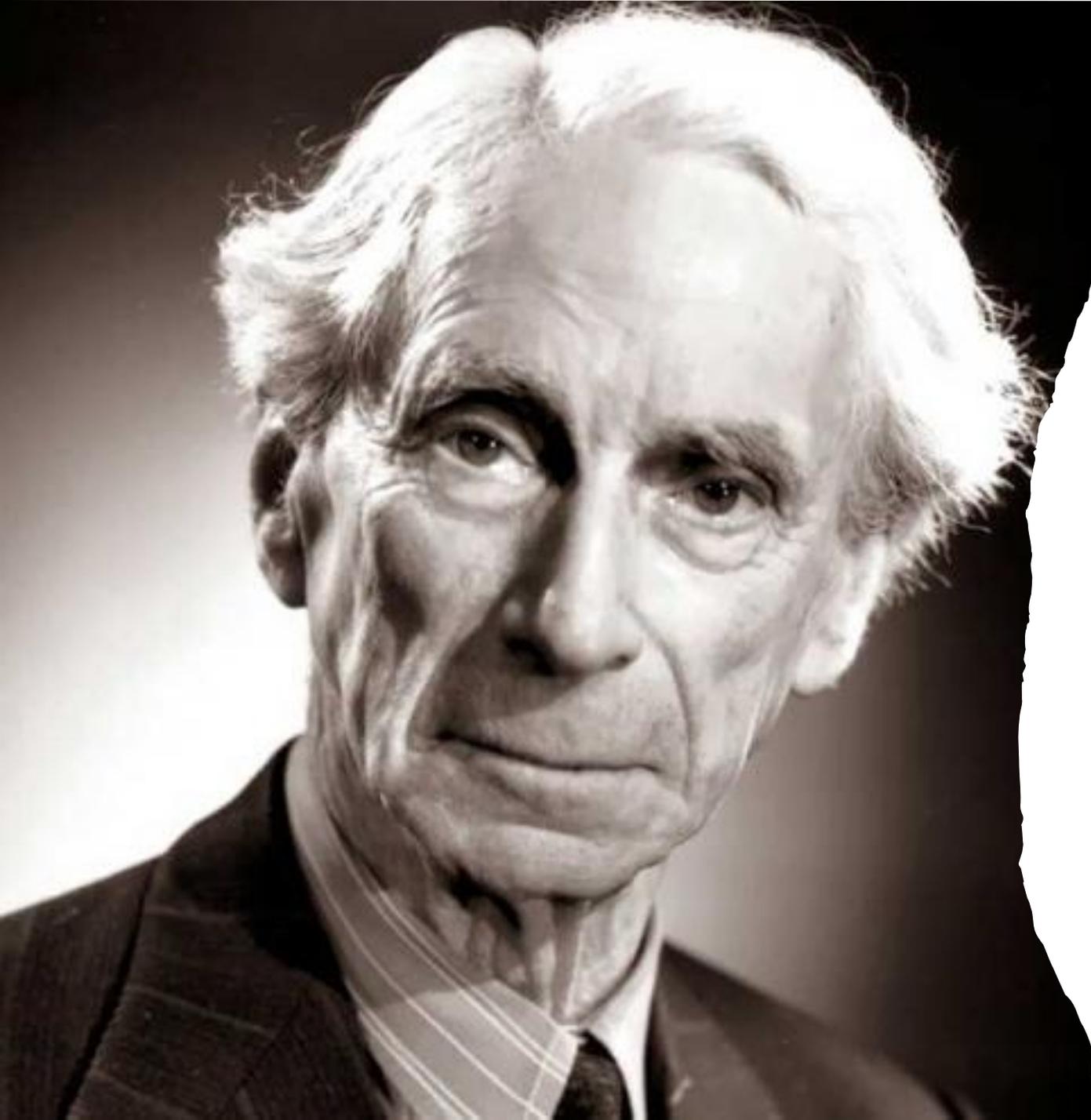
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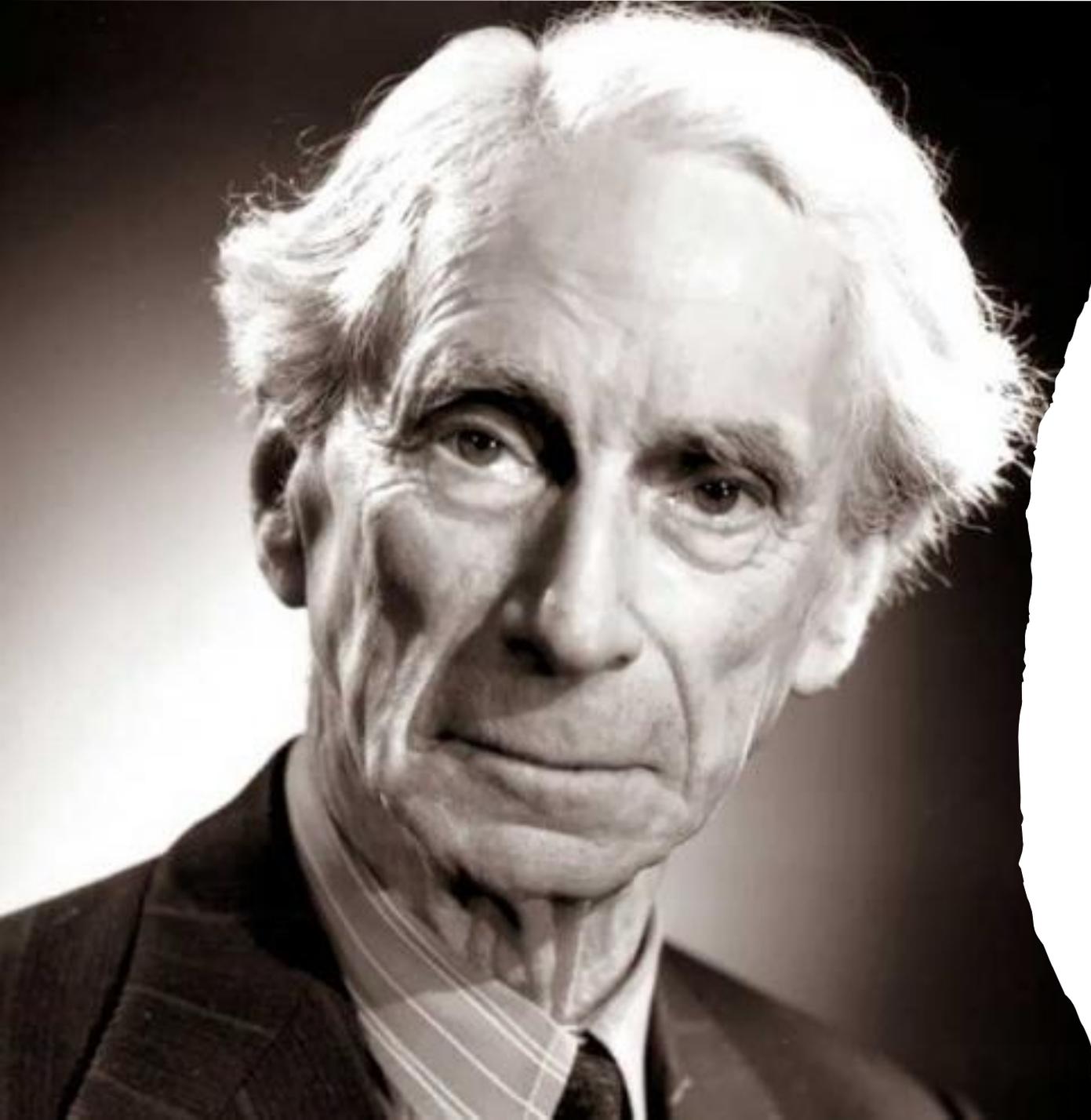
Social
justice

Personal
identity



Bertrand Russell: The Ten Commandments that, as a teacher, I should wish to promulgate, might be set forth as follows...

- 1. Do not feel absolutely certain of anything.**
2. Do not think it worthwhile to produce belief by concealing evidence, for the evidence is sure to come to light.
- 3. Never try to discourage thinking, for you are sure to succeed.**
4. When you meet with opposition, even if it should be from your husband or your children, endeavour to overcome it by argument and not by authority, for a victory dependent upon authority is unreal and illusory.
5. Have no respect for the authority of others, for there are always contrary authorities to be found.



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- 6. Do not use power to suppress opinions you think pernicious, for if you do the opinions will suppress you.**
- 7. Do not fear to be eccentric in opinion, for every opinion now accepted was once eccentric.**
8. Find more pleasure in intelligent dissent than in passive agreement, for, if you value intelligence as you should, the former implies a deeper agreement than the latter.
9. Be scrupulously truthful, even when truth is inconvenient, for it is more inconvenient when you try to conceal it.
10. Do not feel envious of the happiness of those who live in a fool's paradise, for only a fool will think that it is happiness.

Chat GPT: The Ten Commandments for the Age of AI Learning...

1. Do not outsource your judgment to machines merely because they sound confident.
2. Do not suppress doubt in yourself because AI suppresses it for you.
3. Do not confuse speed of answer with depth of understanding.
4. When AI disagrees with you, examine yourself—but when it agrees too easily, be alarmed.
5. Do not let optimization replace truth-seeking.
6. Remember that explanations generated without understanding are not explanations.
7. Do not be ashamed to think publicly and revise publicly.
8. Resist the temptation to replace thinking with prompting.
9. Do not let synthetic consensus overrule human disagreement.
10. Never forget that intelligence is not wisdom, and fluency is not virtue.



Bertrand Russell believed that **the enemy of learning was not ignorance, but certainty.** In the AI age, the enemy is subtler:

Epistemic comfort:

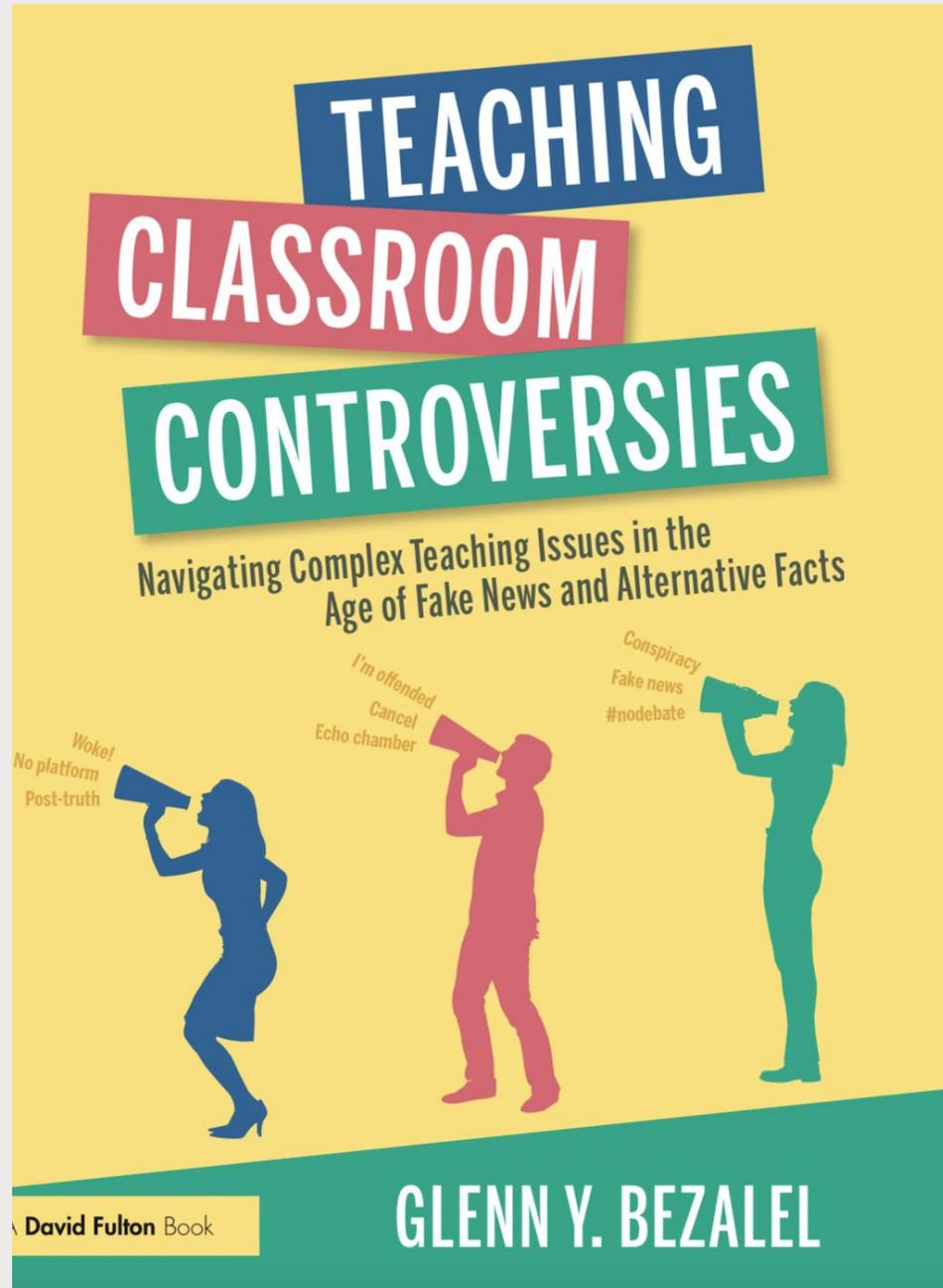
- Answers without struggle.
- Confidence without cost.
- Knowledge without ownership.

AI makes it easier than ever to *appear* educated.

The task now is to remain **genuinely thoughtful.**

“A person’s life must not be conducted on the basis of exclusive reliance upon a single trait.”

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Thank you!

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