

Questioning as we learn: An introduction to critical thinking

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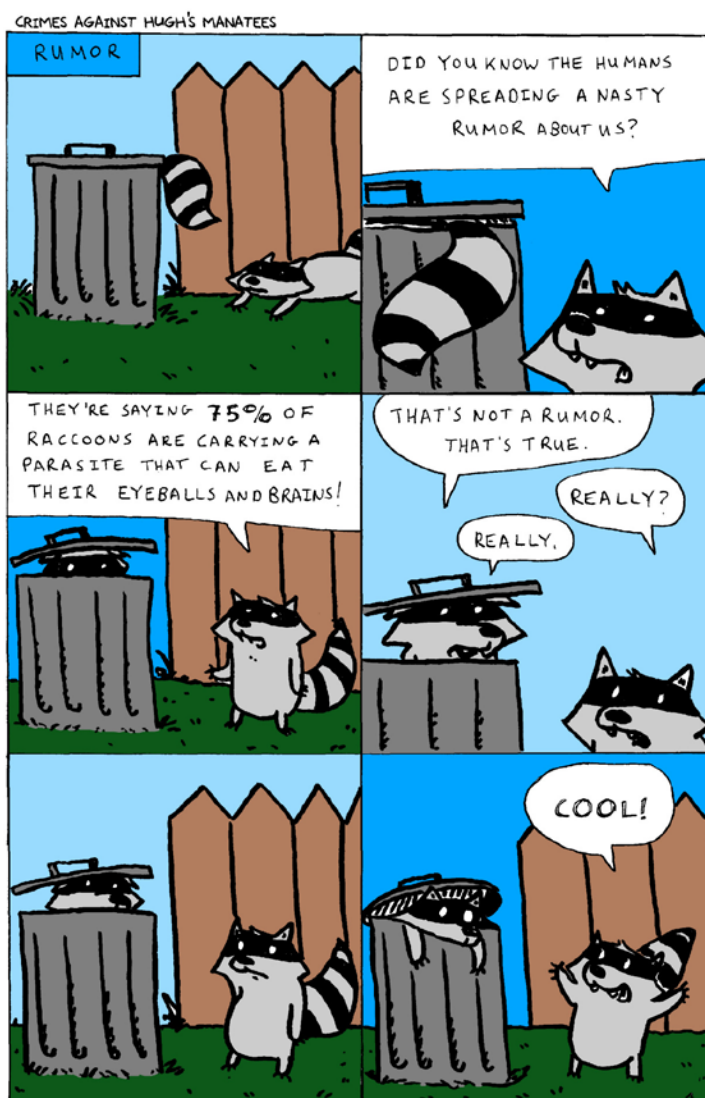
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Facts and opinions

An important aspect of handling critical information is to be able to distinguish between facts and opinions. While a fact is something that everyone knows and accepts, opinions are viewpoints that some people might not share – someone might convincingly argue against that opinion and hold a radically different or opposite one. Opinions are not reliable unless supported by sound evidence (i.e. facts).

The following pages will help you to understand why it is important to distinguish between facts and opinions, and how you can do that.



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