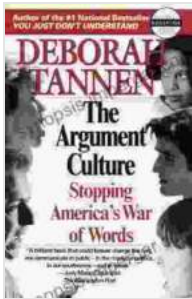


# Stopping America's War of Words: A Guide to Restoring Civil Discourse and Uniting Our Nation

In the current political climate, it seems that we are more divided than ever before. Our political discourse has become increasingly hostile, with name-calling, insults, and personal attacks becoming the norm. This kind of rhetoric is not only corrosive to our democracy, but it also makes it impossible to have productive conversations about the issues that we face.

It is time for us to stop this war of words and start working together to find solutions to the challenges that we face. We need to learn how to disagree without being disagreeable. We need to find common ground and work together to build a better future for all Americans.



## The Argument Culture: Stopping America's War of Words by Deborah Tannen

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In his new book, *Stopping America's War of Words*, Dr. Robert B. Cialdini provides a roadmap for restoring civil discourse and uniting our nation.

Cialdini is an internationally renowned expert on persuasion and influence, and his book draws on decades of research to show how we can use the principles of persuasion to bridge the political divide.

Cialdini identifies six key principles of persuasion that can be used to build bridges and promote understanding:

1. **Reciprocity:** People are more likely to do something for you if you have done something for them.
2. **Liking:** People are more likely to be persuaded by someone they like.
3. **Authority:** People are more likely to be persuaded by someone they perceive as an expert.
4. **Social proof:** People are more likely to do something if they see others doing it.
5. **Scarcity:** People are more likely to want something if they believe it is scarce.
6. **Urgency:** People are more likely to take action if they believe it is urgent.

Cialdini shows how these principles can be used to promote civil discourse in a variety of settings, from the dinner table to the political arena. For example, he suggests that we can use reciprocity to build relationships with people who have different political views by doing favors for them or by listening to their concerns. We can use liking to make ourselves more persuasive by being friendly and approachable. And we can use authority to give our arguments more weight by citing credible sources or by aligning ourselves with experts.

Cialdini also provides a number of practical tips for having productive conversations with people who have different political views. He suggests that we avoid using inflammatory language, that we focus on finding common ground, and that we be willing to listen to the other person's perspective.

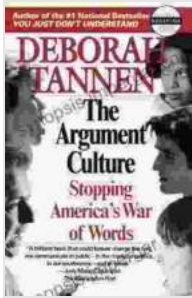
*Stopping America's War of Words* is an essential read for anyone who is interested in restoring civil discourse and uniting our nation. Cialdini provides a clear and concise roadmap for how we can use the principles of persuasion to bridge the political divide. By following his advice, we can create a more civil and productive political discourse that will benefit all Americans.

## **Reviews**

"Dr. Cialdini's book is a timely and important contribution to the national conversation about how to restore civil discourse and unite our nation. His insights are based on decades of research, and his advice is practical and actionable. I highly recommend this book to anyone who is interested in making a difference." - **Senator John McCain**

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