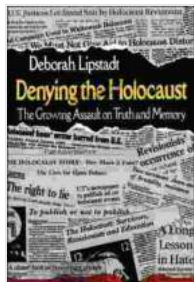


# The Growing Assault on Truth and Memory: A Threat to Our Democracy and Our Future



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In his new book, *The Growing Assault on Truth and Memory*, historian Robert Manne argues that the erosion of truth and the manipulation of memory are serious threats to our democracy and our future.

Manne begins by examining the rise of authoritarianism around the world. He argues that authoritarian leaders rely on the suppression of dissent and the control of information to maintain their power. They do this by attacking the media, promoting propaganda, and creating a climate of fear and distrust.

Manne then turns his attention to the United States, where he sees similar trends emerging. He argues that the Trump administration has engaged in

a systematic assault on truth and memory.

For example, Trump has repeatedly made false statements about the size of his inauguration crowd, the number of people who voted for him, and the state of the economy. He has also attacked the media, calling them "the enemy of the people." And he has repeatedly tried to delegitimize the Mueller investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election.

Manne argues that Trump's assault on truth and memory is not just a matter of personal style. It is a deliberate strategy to undermine the institutions that hold the powerful accountable.

When people lose faith in the truth, they become more susceptible to propaganda and disinformation. They become less likely to participate in the democratic process. And they become more tolerant of authoritarianism.

Manne concludes by arguing that we must defend truth and memory if we want to preserve our democracy. He calls for a renewed commitment to education, critical thinking, and independent journalism.

*The Growing Assault on Truth and Memory* is a timely and important book. It is a powerful and urgent call to action to defend the fundamental pillars of our society.

## **About the Author**

Robert Manne is a historian and public intellectual. He is the author of several books, including *The Culture of Fear* and *In Denial: The Stolen Generations and the Right*.

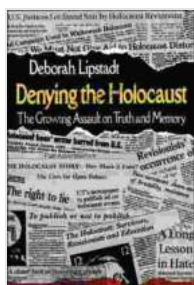
Manne is a regular contributor to *The Guardian*, *The New York Times*, and *The Australian*. He is also a professor of history at La Trobe University in Melbourne, Australia.

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