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Examine multiple perspectives on public and current issues.

Citizens have a responsibility to stay informed in order to see differing viewpoints on issues.

Example:

Special interest groups.

Pro - citizens have a First Amendment right to peaceably assemble, to petition the government, and to voice their opinions.

Con - they can become too powerful and sometimes become corrupt
There's an almost unlimited number of issues that citizens should familiarize themselves with. Citizens who are not well-informed and who have not developed an "open mind" are much more susceptible to propaganda.