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Theories of Truth

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Correspondence, Coherence, and Pragmatic

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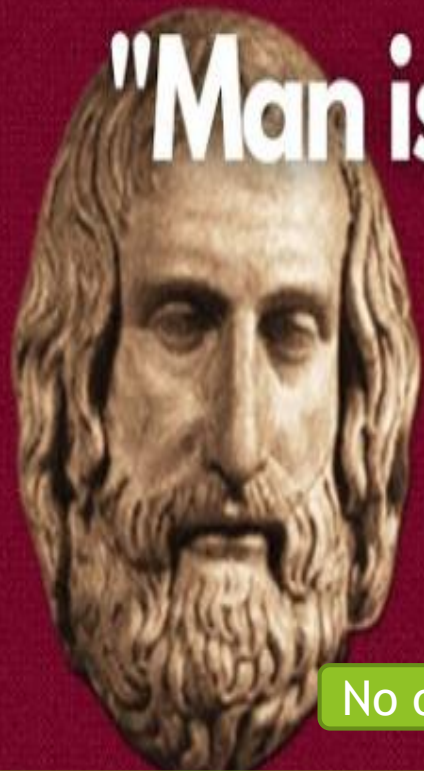
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Knowledge-Truth

Today, we'll delve into three significant theories of truth that have shaped the landscape of philosophy: correspondence, coherence, and pragmatic theories. These perspectives offer distinct ways of understanding what it means for a statement or belief to be considered 'true.'

Truth?



**"Man is the Measure
of All Things"**
PROTAGORAS

No objective truth is the world

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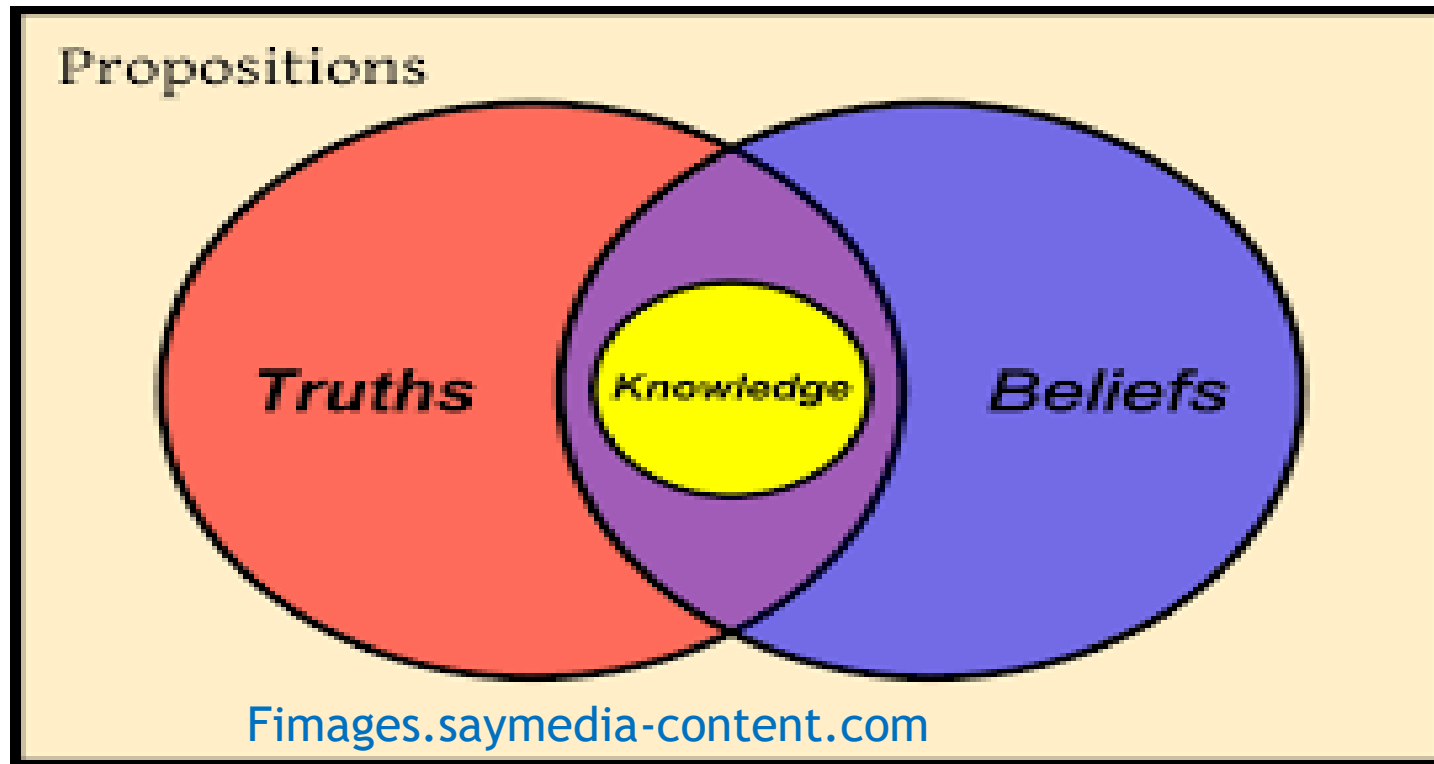
Justice,
beauty,
truth- had an
objective
existence of
their own.

Plato



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Knowledge is generally considered
justified true belief



Three popular theories

- **Correspondence Theory**
- **Coherence Theory**
- **Pragmatic Theory**

Correspondence Theory

Truth is the correspondence between a statement (or belief) and the external reality.

A statement is true if it accurately reflects the state of affairs in the world.

Books are on the table



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Leonel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo are international footballers

Corresponds to the state of affairs in the world



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Sachin Tendulkar and Virat Kohli are international cricketers

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Coherence Theory

Truth is the coherence or consistency within a set of beliefs or propositions.

A statement is true if it fits cohesively within a broader network of beliefs.

Hegel and later refined by logical positivists.

Coherence Theory

“I know that exercise and running are good for health”

- ❑ **System of Scientific Beliefs:** Coherent system of beliefs and principles, including empirical evidence, experimentation, and peer-reviewed studies.
- ❑ **Scientific research consistently supports:** Improved cardiovascular health, weight management, and mental well-being.



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Pragmatic Theory

Truth based on practical consequences and utility

I know that “It is a glass of water”

Real-world implications
and usefulness



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Conclusion

We've explored the correspondence, coherence, and pragmatic theories of truth. Remember, these theories provide lenses through which we can examine and understand the nature of truth.



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