Are opinions responsive?

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Midterm Assessment

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Influence

Can we judge what information opinions should be responsive to?





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Discussion

- Under what conditions is responsiveness good or bad?
- Under what conditions is resistance (or skepticism) good or bad?

Readings

- Page, Shapiro, and Dempsey
- Healy and Malhotra
- Taber and Lodge

Short Writing Exercise

- Write for 5 minutes
- Discuss the following:
 How can we evaluate the quality of opinions?
 Should we evaluate the quality of opinions?
- Some ideas:
 - Constraint
 - Attitude Strength
 - Knowledge
 - Responsiveness
 - Etc.

Short Writing Exercise

- Form groups of three
- Each person share their ideas
- Attempt to reach a consensus