

Talking Points Guide

Episode Twenty-Five: Isn't Free Speech Actually Very Expensive?

Describe why it is important to seek facts in order to make informed decisions based on evidence rather than opinion, emotion, or hearsay.

Describe why free speech comes with responsibility for the consequences of what we voice, text, print, or post to social media.

Under the 1st Amendment of the United States Constitution we have the freedom to practice our chosen religion. However, describe why religious freedom does not come with the right to oppress others or to vilify those who practice different religions.

People and institutions that are reputable (honest and truthful) function as a watchdog, investigating and reporting on wrongdoing, not disseminating lies, false allegations, and character assassinations. Describe why the freedom granted to the press comes with the obligation to serve the governed, not those who govern.