

# Censorship

**Quotations** "Censorship ends in logical completeness when nobody is allowed to read any books except the books that nobody reads."

- George Bernard Shaw

"Censorship reflects a society's lack of confidence in itself."

- Potter Stewart

## Questions

- Can you define censorship?
- Between religious, military, political, moral, corporate and media censorship, which is the worst and why?
- Could censorship ever be positive? Can you think of any examples?
- What is the main motivation for people to censor?
- In what ways can censorship harm a society?
- If you could censor anything in the world, what would it be and why?
- Do you feel censorship is a case of the public not being able to take the truth?
- Should the Internet be censored for you?
- How does censorship affect education?
- Does your country use censorship? How and why?
- Is censorship ever effective?
- Has censorship changed in the world from 75 years ago?
- Would you like a job to be an official state censor?

**Presentation** Pick a popular song that everyone knows. Edit the song lyrics according to your own censorship rules. Present it to the class and have your classmates guess what the censorship rules are.