

List of Fallacies

1. Inconsistency:

"Intervention in the affairs of other countries is immoral, and the U.S. should never engage in this practice. However, the U.S. should act to overthrow rogue figures like Slobodan Milosevic and Saddam Hussein."

2. Straw Man:

"People who supported George W. Bush for president were arguing, in essence, that the world's biggest moron is best qualified to be president."

3. *Ad Hominem* – using insults instead of arguments

"Your arguments against US intervention in Ukraine are ridiculous. And by the way, I notice that you have a Russian last name which makes me suspicious of arguments."

4. *Ad Baculum* – Appeal to force

"Don't ever saw Trump is a fascist again. If you do, I will report you to your employer and get you fired."

5. Questionable Premise (or False Premise):

"Elvis really is alive and well."

So, the *National Enquirer* must be right in some cases."

6. Suppressed Evidence (or the Fallacy of Whitewash): An example of this fallacy:

Discussing the history of the United States during the nineteenth century, arguing that the U. S. has had an honorable history, but leaving out any mention of Indian massacres.

7. Tokenism:

"As a senator I have an excellent record on environmental issues. During the recent campaign, I have mentioned the environment in almost every speech I have given."