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the major textbook in communication theory denis mcquail provides a brisk elegantly
organized and comprehensive overview of the ways in which mass communication has

been viewed by social scientists and by practitioners the wealth of thinking in the field the enormous range of issues studied and questions raised the proliferation of schools approaches and tendencies mcquail marshalls this welter of material into a clear easy to follow textbook for students at all levels of communication studies he reviews ways in which the the mass media have been defined theories of their function and purpose views of the organizational structures and processes of mass media content analysis and the other techniques for interpreting the meaning of media content theories of what an audience is and what it does cultivation theory traditional sociology classical marxism the frankfurt school hegemony theory soviet media theory the uses and gratifications approach development media theory free press theory organizational theory all these and much more are described and placed in their historical and scholarly context mcquail s extensive references will guide anyone interested in mass communication to the key work in the field diagrams a media theory map summaries indexes and other features will further help new students to keep a hold on all the separate strands in the field about the author denis mcquail is currently professor of mass communication university of amsterdam the netherlands after graduating from corpus christi college oxford with a ba in modern history and a diploma in public and social administration he received a phd in social studies from the university of leeds he has since been affiliated to the television research unit university of leeds the university of southampton and the annenberg school of communication university of pennsylvania his major publications include television and the political image with j trenaman 1961 television in politics its use and influence with j g blumler 1968 towards a sociology of mass communications 1968 sociology of mass communication editor 1972 communication 1975 review of sociological writing on the press 1976 analysis of newspaper content 1977 communication models for the study of mass communication with sven windahl 1982 why this textbook why choose this textbook for use in your courses over others that are available mcquail has drawn on his own extensive teaching experience to make sure his book offers the following qualities and features the frameworks for ease of organization mcquail arranges the theories of media effect processes or mass media and social change in new clarifying frameworks he aims to present all the principal theories within a single integrative framework its range mcquail s extraordinary feat of organization encompasses theories from all the principal approaches to communication from all over the world his book will be useful in a variety of cultural and national settings its thoroughness mcquail provides over 300 references to guide your students to the primary sources not only is each theory described and its sources and histories plotted but its implications and

intellectual context are explored consensus theories are given equal weight with themore contentious critical understandings controversy is faced fairness maintained its currency the most recent research is expressed in the form of theoretical propositions new approaches are discussed that are not reviewed in other textbooks a revision of the functional theory the notion of emerging public definitions and a revision of the four theories of the press other unique features a thorough review of theories of the audience questions of media power and normative theories of media are given a central place at various points professor denis mcquail provides a thorough review of the history structure and processes of the mass media and the views taken of them the first chapter defines the terms and issues of mass media studies it also traces the development of mass media since the first newspapers in the 17th century mcquail notes the origins typical forms and applications of mass media at different times he then provides a framework for understanding the different approaches to the study of mass media mass society theory marxist approaches of different types message centred theory and theory of audience and effect are the perspectives reviewed chapter three explores the ideological political and cultural contexts in which the mass media operates and which define the media s functions the institutional forms of mass communication are characterized in chapter four in chapter five the meaning of the information provided by the media is analyzed different kinds of content such as news or fiction are examined from different theoretical perspectives chapter six describes alternative approaches to the study ofthe audience the different aspects of audiences which they study and the conclusions they have reached chapter seven focusses on the study of the impact and effect of media different scientific approaches to this study are described and the results of this research given the final chapter looks at the lessons of mass communication study for issues of current concern such as international communication and new technological developments

journalism and mass communication is the component of encyclopedia of social sciences and humanities in the global encyclopedia of life support systems eolss which is an integrated compendium of twenty one encyclopedias the theme on journalism and mass communication deals in two volumes and cover five main topics with a myriad of issues of great relevance to our world such as evolution of journalism and mass communication evolution of mass communication mass communication and sustainable futures the internet as a mass communication medium management and future of mass communications and media communication strategies for sustainable societies which are then expanded into multiple subtopics each as a chapter these two volumes are aimed at the following five major target audiences university and college

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an introduction to the field of mass communication covering all the major media from books magazines and newspapers to radio film tv cable and the new technologies illustrated with examples and anecdotes the book explores international communication and career opportunities in the media

this textbook offers an introduction to mass communication it includes an examination of the difficulties and progress of minorities and women in the mass media industry and material covering the economic cultural and political barriers to the free flow of information and ideas worldwide

designed for courses in introduction to mass communication introduction to mass media and media and society in this updated online edition john vivian provides a cost effective and accessible version of the original text taking the phrase using the media to teach the media literally with an extensive pin coded web site while the printed book is the core content the web site provides the energy and excitement of the media there is up to date coverage of industries and issues along with a thoughtful recounting of key events in media history to give students the insight they need to understand the complexity and impact of the media in the 21st century

the literature on mass communication is now dominated by objective sociological approaches what makes the work of stephenson so unusual is his starting points his frank willingness to adopt a subjective and psychological approach to the study of mass communication in short this is an internal analysis of how communication processes are absorbed by individuals the theory of play is not a doctrine of frivolity but rather a way in which stephenson gets at such sensitive areas of communication theory as what is screened out and why without a notion of the play element in communication one would be led to imagine that every televised docudrama would be immediately lived out by every adolescent clearly this is not the case people can distinguish quite well between imaginary and real events in mass communication contexts the play theory of mass communication is a work that studies subjective play how communication serves the cause of self enhancement and personal pleasure and the role of entertainment as an end in itself in short for those who are tired of cliché ridden volumes on the political hidden messages and meanings of communication or the economic management of media decisions this volume will come as a refreshment

a piece of entertainment as well as instruction but with all the emphasis on aspects stephenson s volume is shrewdly political he takes up themes ranging from the reduction of international tensions to the happily alienated worker to such pedestrian events as the reporting of foreign soviet dignitaries in their visits to democratic cultures this is in short an urbane wise book sophisticated in its methodology and critical in its theorizing

denis mcquail s mass communication theory is not just a seminal text in the study of media and society it is a benchmark for understanding and appreciating the long and winding road people and their media have taken to get us here mark deuze indiana university and leiden university this is a unique work tested by time and generations of students around the world north south east and west kaarle nordenstreng university of tampere mcquail s mass communication theory continues to be the clearest and best introduction to this sprawling field anders hansen university of leicester with over 125 000 copies sold mcquail s mass communication theory has been the benchmark for studying media and communication for more than 25 years it remains the most authoritative and comprehensive introduction to the field and offers unmatched coverage of the research literature it covers everything a student needs to know of the diverse forms of mass communication today including television radio newspapers film music the internet and other forms of new media denis mcquail shows that more than ever theories of mass communication matter for the broader understanding of society and culture unmatched in coverage and used across the globe this book includes explorations of new media globalization work economy governance policy media audiences and effects new boxed case studies on key research publications to familiarize students with the critical research texts in the field definitions examples and illustrations throughout to bring abstract concepts to life mcquail s mass communication theory is the indispensable resource no student of media and communication studies can afford to be without

this book argues that the no marxists mostly have it wrong although corporate media are structurally organized to maximize profits and produce content that generally helps elites achieve their goals this does not mean corporate media have less capacity to facilitate social change than entrepreneurial or other forms of media in fact historical evidence and comparative critical studies presented in this book show that mass media become more not less critical of dominant power groups institutions and value systems as they become more corporatized this proposition is part of a larger theoretical model that integrates the role of both social structure and human agency in explaining the

persistence of modern capitalism the structural part of the theory also enables scholars to make predictions about the future of mass media including the ideas that the internet is stealing some of the mediating power of traditional mass media and the market power of global media will grow in absolute terms but will shrink in relative terms because of increasing competition from new and traditional media

the second edition of this innovative textbook provides a comprehensive overview of mass communication theories as well as their origins and empirical supports in psychology sociology political science and philosophy each chapter presents a specific theory describing its basic structure in simple formal terms and providing an accessible summary of the research studies and scholarly writings from which it developed it breaks each complex theory down into five or six interlinked basic propositions making them easily digestible for students this new edition includes up to date research improved coverage of all theories presented expanded treatments of theories such as cultivation theory the spiral of silence and framing contemporary and social media examples chapter discussion questions and informative charts and figures this textbook serves as an accessible core text for undergraduate and graduate mass communication communication theory and communication and society courses

this exciting new text traces the common themes in the long and complex history of mass communication it shows how the means of communicating grew out of their eras how they developed how they influenced the societies of those eras and how they have continued to exert their influence upon subsequent generations the book is divided into six periods which are identified as information revolutions writing printing mass media entertainment the toolshed which we call home now and the information highway in looking at the ways in which the tools of communication have influenced and been influenced by social change a history of mass communication provides students of media and journalism with a strong sense of the way their chosen field affects how society functions providing a broad based approach to media history dr fang encourages the reader to take a careful look at where our culture is headed through the tools we use to communicate with one another a history of mass communication is not only the most current text on communication history but also an invaluable resource for anyone interested in how methods of communication affect society

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presents the main existing models of the mass communications process which have been developed during the last thirty years providing brief descriptions of the most significant concepts and ideas in the study of mass communication using graphic and verbal models

arthur asa berger provides a succinct accurate and enjoyable introduction to the mass communications field although the book covers the same topics as other introductory works his writing and organization make the material seem like a light repast rather than an overbearing meal essential for all undergraduate collections in mass communication theory and mass media studies choice arthur asa berger combines his broad knowledge of the field with his unique ability to translate difficult theories into comprehensible terms and accessible language he uses illustrations related to popular genres to make these theories relevant to students lives the concluding chapter provides questions for further work and discussion and is designed to help the student further contemplate the implications and applications of mass communication theory an up to date bibliography and glossary provide a comprehensive resource on mass communication theory

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