

TRUTH TRAFFIC LIGHTS

This thinking activity assists you with your perceptibility when looking at whether a statement, article or text is accurate and truthful.

When reading, look for times when the truth and reality is obscured by things like generalisations, bias or self interest. Put these in the **Red Light** section, as they stop logical and fair examination of an issue.

There are also times when there is a mix of truth and untruth in what you are reading. Put these in the **Yellow Light** section. These are times to slow down and really investigate what is being said.

Then there are times when what you are reading is clearly truthful and accurate. Put these in the **Green Light** section.

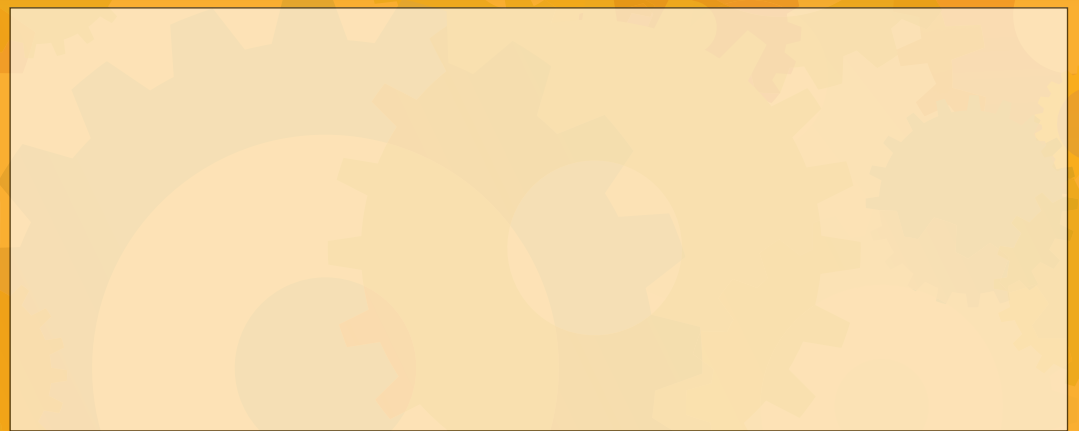
In a class discussion, add to the sections as you hear new points.

Alternatively, the three traffic lights can be drawn on the board for Red, Yellow and Green and the class can put sticky notes with their thoughts in them.

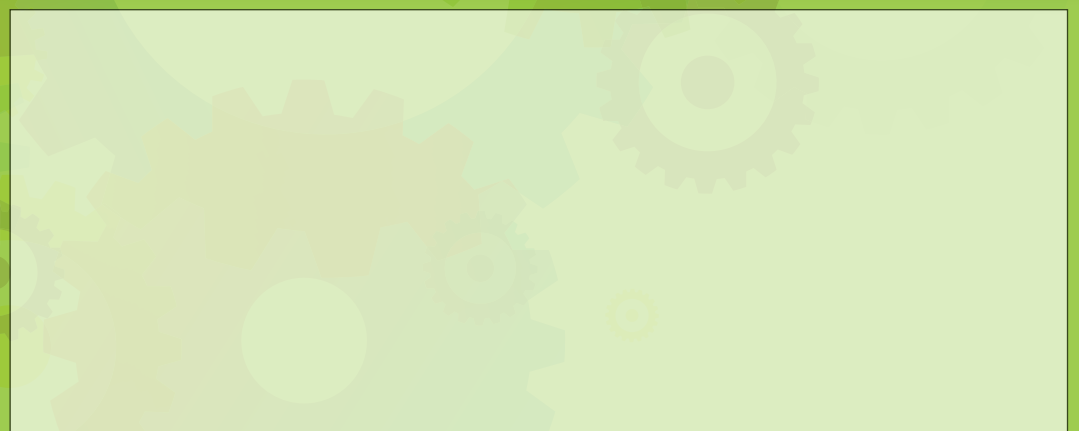
Red light – truth covered

A large rectangular box with a red border and a light red gradient background, intended for notes related to the red light section.

Yellow light – truth and untruth

A large rectangular box with a yellow border and a light yellow gradient background, intended for notes related to the yellow light section.

Green light – truth clear

A large rectangular box with a green border and a light green gradient background, intended for notes related to the green light section.

“Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.”

Henry Ford