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The Value of Memory

In previous discussions, we were critical of interviewees who based their claims on their memory of events and how “they believed” they experienced them. What were some reasons we discussed that might make their claims faulty?

Do you think Rebecca Chan’s memory is faulty? Why or why not?

Do you think **your first memory** is faulty? Why or why not?

What value does memory have in documentaries if memories can be faulty?

What value does your memory have to you and why might that be important to an audience?

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The differences between Sympathy and Empathy

Sympathy is feeling compassion, sorrow, or pity for the hardships that another person encounters, while **empathy** is putting yourself in the shoes of another.

How does testimony and memory create empathy?

Did you sympathize with Rebecca Chan or empathize with her, and why?

How does testimony and memory create empathy during emotional interviews?

How would it make you feel for people to question the integrity of your first memory, and why?

How does testimony and memory create empathy with re-enactments?