

Videos are Shadows

Nobody asked but ...

Videos are mostly shadows on the wall of Plato's Cave. Yet humans persist in treating them as first hand perceptions in the full sunlight. I have just left a Web discussion in which a male decided it was OK to hit women based on a man-woman encounter in an Internet video. That reminds me of the time that Doctor Senator Bill Frist declared Terri Schiavo OK from a news video. Not OK. Here's a rule of thumb, do not use videos to make lifeboat scenarios.

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