

Dylann Roof: Analyzing why “knowledge” goes wrong

Me as a knower and a thinker



ToK Guide. 2020. Accessed on 8.10.21 at https://dhaydock.org/2021-2022/ToK%2011/theory-of-knowledge-guide-en_3a8f2926-8de1-48e5-9268-19cb6f6ed9a9.pdf

This diagram comes from the IB ToK Guide and refers to how we know what we know. Later, we will use the diagram to complete a profile on ourselves, as we reflect on the influences on ourselves as knowers. Now, we are going to use it as a forensic tool. After watching the video on Dylan Roof, using the diagram, explain, to the best of your ability, where, how and why Dylan Roof’s “knowledge” went wrong. Is Roof’s flawed approach to knowledge unique to him or is he a symptom of a larger pathology? This is not meant to be a research paper, rather you should use the video as sources material for an analysis guided by the diagram. Feel free to speculate on those things that you lack concrete proof of (since we never really know what goes on in another person’s mind.)

Your analysis should be between 200-250 words in length and will count as an annotation. On Friday, we will discuss the implications of your analysis in an all class discussion