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As well, the novel 1984 contained an organization which had the hopes to work toward taking the pleasure out of sexual interactions, therefore; making it simply a duty done to help the Party. "The aim of the party was not to merely prevent men and women from forming loyalties which it might not be able to control. Its real, undeclared purpose was to remove all pleasure from the sexual act." The current day versions of this are the countless organizations throughout the world that promote abstinence only sexual education, or are hoping to ban artificial birth control. Another similar concept in today's world is the continuing consent laws making sexual interactions much more difficult, pushing it towards the direction of it being an inconvenience, much more difficult, and possibly even to the point of becoming a chore through the beginning stages.

Consent laws continue to have more strict rules being added to them as time goes on as even in the current day regular consent is not enough. Both partners must consent in an enthusiastic manner and continue to enjoy and consent the entire duration of the activity. Even some fairly basic, but not greatly thought of ideas were predicted in Orwell's 1984, such as the "memory hole". The memory hole was a machine that was used to alter incriminating or embarrassing documents or even make them disappear altogether. These are very similar to tools such as paper shredders used to shred documents. Yes paper shredders were invented before 1984; however, were not commonly used, and the concept of wiping out a hard drive came much further in the future. The memory hole did in fact foretell both of these technologies. A very important concept Orwell portrayed throughout his novel 1984 was his concept of doublethink.

Doublethink is the acceptance of two contrary opinions or beliefs at the same time, or the mental capacity to do so. 1984 contained three main recurring slogans that the party had. They were: "War is Peace; Freedom is Slavery; Ignorance is Strength". These were obvious examples of doublethink and Orwell also had the idea of doublethink occur many times throughout the novel in a more subtle manner as well. The concept of doublethink has been around forever; however, it has been realized to be in relation to many very important concepts people agree with regularly in their everyday lives. A very commonly believed example is to have both religious beliefs and great beliefs in science as well.

Science greatly contradicts beliefs of God or a creator, but most people who are religious tend to believe in the sciences being true as well. Overall, Orwell just showed us how double thinking will continue to become much more prominent in our lives over time as it can be a really important factor that many people do without realizing. The constant predictions from George Orwell's 1984 that are coming true are absolutely crazy; however, seem to be going completely unnoticed by everyone.

The novel 1984 ends with the main character Winston going through intense, continuous rounds over torture. Winston then learns to love Big Brother, and the terrible world he once hated. Looking at life today it seems as if we have all willingly given up a lot of our own freedom and almost all of our rights to privacy. A fear of terrorism plays a part in many areas of the world, but the outstanding advances in technology through social media has been the

upmost reason. In many cases one gives up their privacy without even realizing they are doing so.

It is said that if you have nothing to hide, you don't have anything to be afraid of. In the world we live in today with government agencies being able to monitor all of our online messages, phone calls and much more we have all become suspects. This is an extremely scary factor that has continued to progress to the point where there is almost no turning back now. No matter if you were to move to a remote location completely away from everything the government still has some form of information about you stored somewhere. Big Brother was George Orwell's representation of today's government, making us all into what Winston Smith became.