

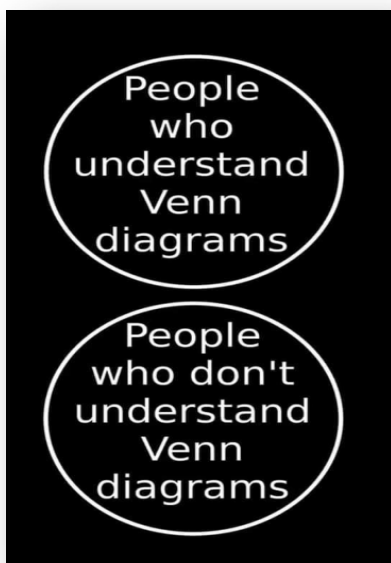
## FROM DOWN UNDER Free Thought

From time to time, you come across this prejudice of alleged “free-thinkers” against structure; any structure. The thought has validity but not soundness, and was part of the Free Thought movement of the early twentieth century, which did not last, and transmuted in a pure creativity movement. The idea is that no liberal thinker can impinge on “my” creative thought process. The fact that such a free-thinker is eventually forced to read a structured piece of writing, I think, is convincing piece of evidence in the disproof. Thought is structured, and it is too easy, in critical thinking discourses, to demonstrate bad ways of thinking; alleged structures which will not hold under evidence, logic, and empathic listening (together). It is such common sense that a reader might presuppose I have set up a ‘straw man.’ Nevertheless, experience shows that there are free-thinkers who slip into this fallacious way of thinking. Being a free thinkers has costs, and one of them is the great effort of the mind-brain.

My work has been internationalising with a collaboration of the Free Thinker Institute (New York City), in the production of a 1,000-page curriculum package manuscript into a commercially-viable guidebook for community education, based in *Lebensphilosophie* and *Wissenschaft*. It is work which is still being refined. These creative free thinkers who dislike structure, also greatly dislike education. They do not like to be told “how or what to be thinking”, and so the militant reaction ends up in anti-social behaviour.

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## THIS MONTH'S BIRD On The Cover

According to mythology, penguins, with their steadfast dedication and cooperative nature, symbolize reassurance. In the harsh climates they inhabit, Penguins rely on each other for warmth and survival, demonstrating the power of unity and mutual support.

