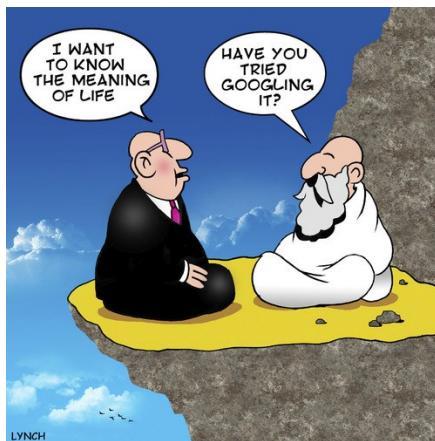


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The Meaning of Life and the Veridicality Requirement

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Some theories concerning the meaning of life endorse the Veridicality Requirement (VR). The VR maintains that a necessary condition for an individual's life to be meaningful is that the individual hold true beliefs. Although several thinkers (including Joel Feinberg, John Kekes, and Susan Wolf) endorse the VR, it has not been explicitly articulated. This paper first articulates two conditions that a desirable theory ought to meet. Next, the VR is explicitly articulated in its most charitable form. Finally, three interrelated points are raised to show that the VR, even in its most charitable form, should not be included in a desirable theory of the meaning of life.

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