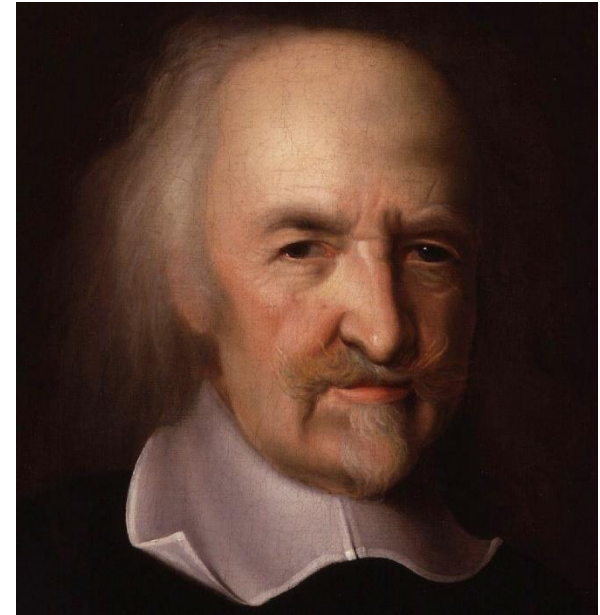




*"Ignorance of naturall causes disposeth a man to **Predulity**, so as to believe many times impossibilities: for such know nothing to the contrary, but that they may be true; being unable to detect the **Impossibility**. And **Predulity**, because men love to be hearkened unto in company, disposeth them to lying: so that **Ignorance** it selfe without **Malice**, is able to make a man bothe to believe **lyes**, and tell them; and sometimes also to invent them."*



Thomas Hobbes (1588-1679) was an English philosopher best known for establishing the **social contract theory** in his essay **Leviathan** (1651).

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