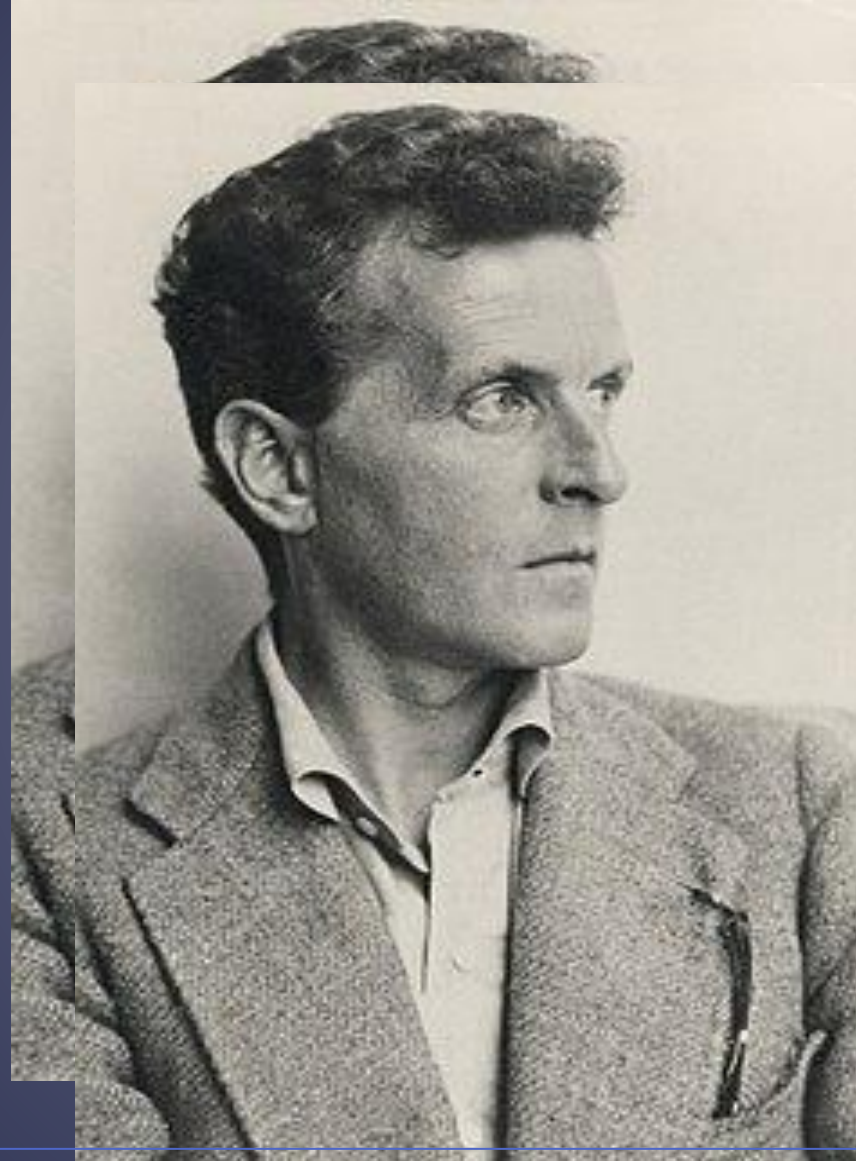


# Ludwig Wittgenstein.



Australian Philosopher

# Information about Ludwig Wittgenstein.





# Biography

- Born 26 April 1889
- From a wealthy family, youngest of 8 children, privately tutored.
- Worked on the draft of his *Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus* (1922) in a POW camp
- Became a schoolteacher, gardener and architect when he thought he had solved philosophy's problems.
  - Later became a Professor of Philosophy.
  - Died 29 April 1951 of prostate cancer



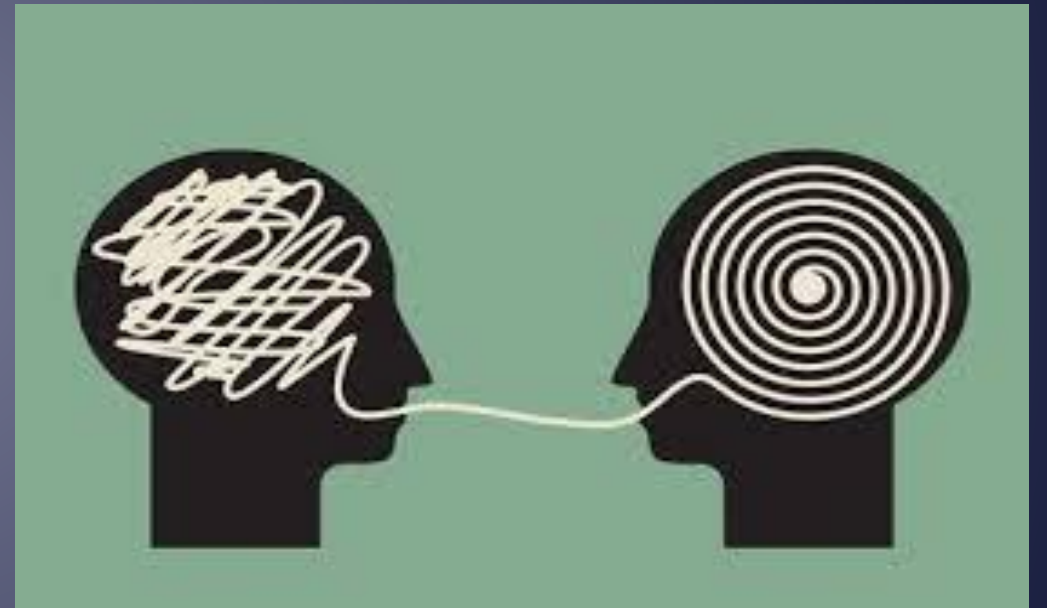
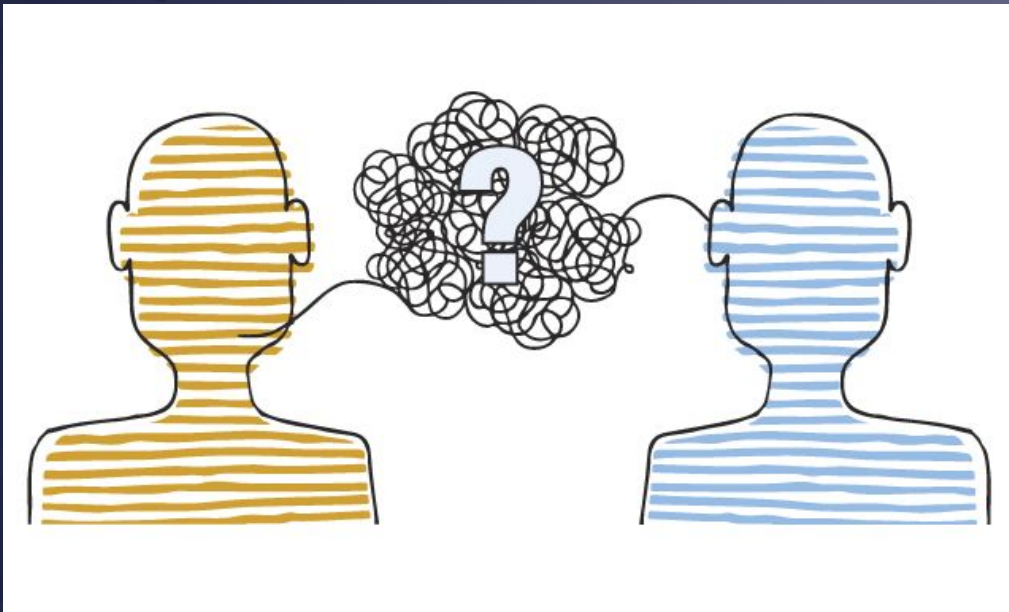


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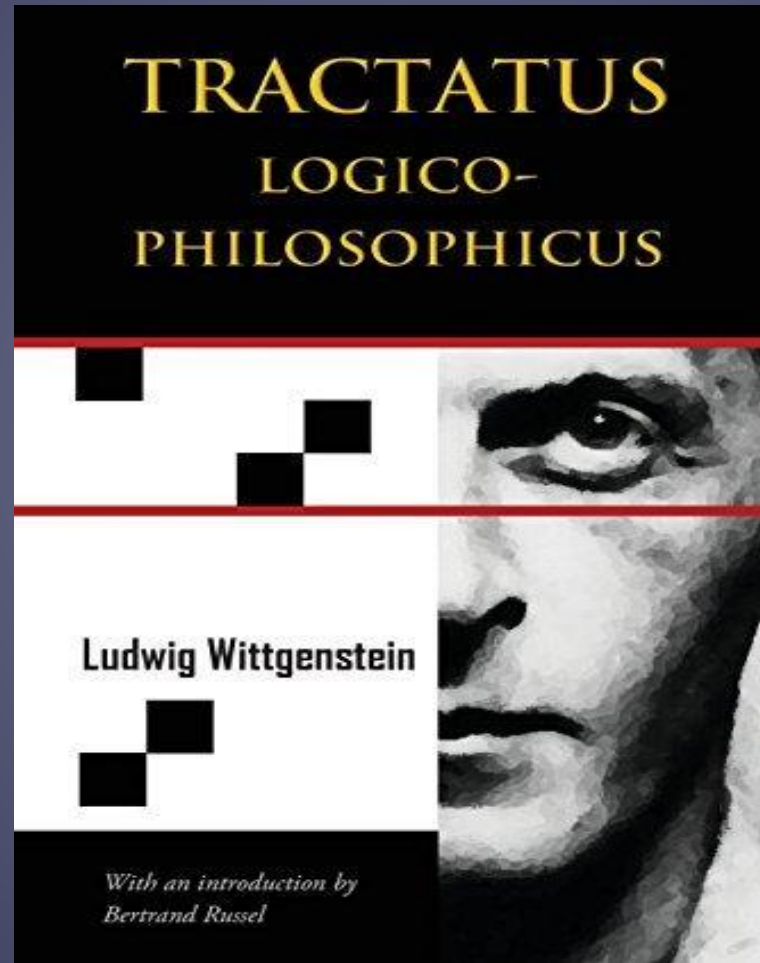
# What we mean clearly enough?

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# Tractatus-Logico-Philosophicus.



# Major idea: PICTURE THEORY OF MEANING / LANGUAGE

All meaningful sentences can be pictured in our world; all facts are actual 'pictures' from our world.



# Early: Picture Theory (Logical Positivist view)

- Language corresponds to a state of affairs in the world
- Language can only be meaningful if it used in relation to what we see in the world
- Language is a way of representing facts

“The cat is on the mat”





**FACT**

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**And so...**

Language is the communication and representation of ideas which can be pictured. It is restricted beyond this.

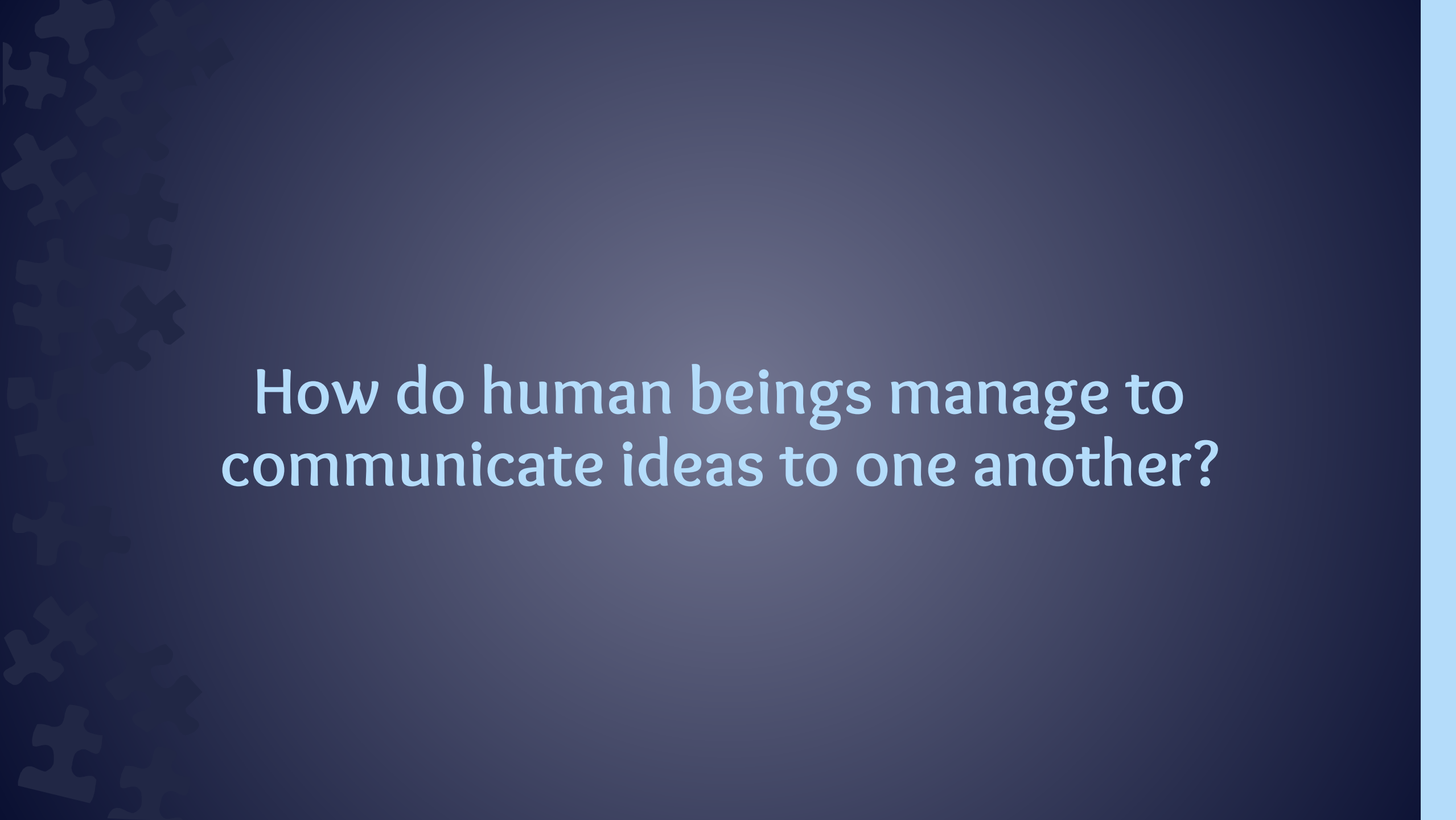


"A proposition is a picture of reality."  
-Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus

**Imagination...**



**Imagines the possibilities!**



How do human beings manage to communicate ideas to one another?





10. If I were a good draughtsman, I could create a considerable number of expressions by four strokes—



Such words as 'pompous' and 'stately' could be expressed by such faces. Doing this, our descriptions would be much more varied and various than they are as expressed by adjectives.



Thank  
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