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## Modern Political Economics

### Session 1: Science? What`s that?

A rather new method to get knowledge. (No, dummy, not in search for truth)

Others (and truth – claiming) are religion, obedience,

Others (not truth searching) are belief, love, hate, music

A. Understanding - a cry for help

Socrates, Plato, Aristotle and consequences...

B. Knowledge - enlightenment, ach, enlightenment (yes, madam, sir, use your own brain)

.... which are Voltaire, Kant and the wind of science - reasoning

C. Scientific knowledge - no, please, no positivism, gosh darn it)

- Procedures: Popper

- Methods: Storks, coins and analytics – neo, yes, neo)

Progress: Kuhn, Feyerabend, Lakatos