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MIND TRICKS

Unfortunately, humans often fight or go to war with each other. Our minds even play tricks to help us fight. One of these tricks is called **dehumanization**. Dehumanization is thinking of a person as not human.

Let's look at an example. Before and during World War II (1939-1945), the Nazi government of Germany hated Jewish people. The Nazis blamed Jews for Europe's problems. Nazis often referred to Jewish people as rats. They dehumanized them. This led them to kill millions of Jews. This was known as the Holocaust. The Nazis **rationalized** their crimes. Rationalize means to give an excuse for something.

The reptilian elite conspiracy theorists do something similar. They may be upset with what the people in power are doing. So they dehumanize them.

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The elite definitely do bad things. But so does everyone! We all make mistakes. We all do things we shouldn't. This is especially true when money, fame, and power are involved. These things can **corrupt** people. To corrupt is to turn something that is good into something bad.

The elite have money, fame, and power. So it makes sense that some may think they can get away with doing bad things. Doing bad things is not alien nature. It is human nature, unfortunately.

Mark Zuckerberg's company did collect private information. But almost all businesses do this. They do this so that users have a better experience. This doesn't mean he is an evil lizard person. After the leak, Facebook updated its security.

