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## Socially sensitive topic

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A "socially sensitive topic" denotes a thematic domain that has the potential to evoke heightened emotional responses, typically of a negative nature, within the context of interpersonal and/or intrapersonal communication. Such topics can be distinguished into two main categories: controversial and private (or painful). Controversial topics involve issues that spark disagreement or conflicting perspectives within society, often related to politics or morality. On the other hand, private topics are intimately tied to individuals' personal experiences or emotional histories, thereby making discussions particularly delicate due to the potential for resurfacing past sensitive memories. Engagement with socially sensitive topics often necessitates a judicious and considerate approach to communication in order to navigate the emotional landscape effectively and promote constructive dialogue.

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