

GRAMMAR and MANIPULATION

It's possible that a completely grammatical sentence can be meaningless or absurd. The noted linguist Noam Chomsky provides a famous example: "Green ideas sleep furiously." Another example from history and contemporary politics is quite dangerous: "Equality makes us free." Politicians using correct grammar **can seem intelligent** to intellectually dim, weak-minded, and uninformed voters. For those who are intoxicated with getting and keeping power, apparent clarity of mind is a propaganda tool.