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Dear journalists, venture capitalists, TikTok teens and other ThinkFluencers: before hot-taking on how to regulate online speech, please consider reading some of the foundational work in this area.

Start with @Klonick's groundbreaking

Follow with @daphnehk on the overall regulatory structure of online speech:

<https://t.co/gSO5mGbeHG>

Read @jkosseff's book before ever typing 2-3-0 on your keyboard:

<https://t.co/pgWq4Y5SWc>

Read @evelyndouek on the risks of coordinated moderation:

<https://t.co/g6AsXh77Qs>

Pre-order @jilliancyork to understand the global human-rights context:

<https://t.co/fbF9YyO4PL>

...and please base your opinions on empirical work:

<https://t.co/a4ywB527nf>

<https://t.co/itcQ0qQulx>

<https://t.co/attzjngVSx>

<https://t.co/nl3RTsJYYV>

<https://t.co/wNDhnRxEAR>

<https://t.co/02FVTTzda0>

If you find yourself typing one of these phrases:

"This was a simple decision that should have been taken years ago"

"A private platform should be able to do whatever they want"

"This violates the First Amendment"

"Blockchain..."

You might want to start at the top again.

When you are done with the real experts, you can fall asleep to this talk I gave on balancing all of the difficulty equities here:

<https://t.co/bQ3QWuPtqZ>

A much more thoughtful list: <https://t.co/7B7A0zZEYn>

Here's that syllabus btw <https://t.co/hVinM5Mc6R>

— Daphne Keller (@daphnehk) [January 9, 2021](#)

Some more suggestions from folks... for the experiences of abuse victims, [@sarahjeong's](#) Internet of Garbage:

<https://t.co/Ou0XNpmi2o>

On disparate impact of algorithms and moderation by [@safiyanoble](#)

<https://t.co/jJtW7p7nDQ>

[@TarletonG's](#) Custodians of the Internet on how decisions are made and the impact on moderators:

<https://t.co/k59816NAX7>

as well as [@CaseyNewton's](#) reporting:

<https://t.co/FvInjYHfxt>

Before she was famous for her COVID work, [@zeynep](#) wrote one of the best books on government/citizen/platform power. Unfortunately, all too relevant in the age of elected autocrats.

<https://t.co/igPWChY2Pb>