

## definition

Globalization refers to the expansion and intensification of social relations and consciousness across world-time and world-space.

Expansion – gets bigger, spreads. Intensification – more pronounced, magnified. Social relations – people interacting. Consciousness – being aware (global imaginary) of connections. World-time and world-space – world has become “smaller”

## sceptics

‘globaloney’ – the world is really not that interconnected.

Globalization is more limited and uneven – not as powerful of a force as what neoliberal globalists and hyperglobalizers claim (ex., TV not that powerful)

Note: neoliberal globalists – people who believe globalization has tremendous power to affect change in the world, like Thomas Friedman. (TV can change/“save” the world)

Skeptics of globalization are like the blind scholar who is in between the legs of the elephant and can’t feel anything, hence he denies the elephant exists at all. These skeptics have too narrow a vision of the world to see globalization happening.

Is globalization new? No, there has always been some aspects of globalization.

