

Examples of Crimes

SPEAKING
AGAINST

The Party

It is a serious offense to express disagreements with the Party, its leader, or its policies.

EX: It is illegal to openly criticize the Party in any manner, including discussions expressing disapproval or disagreement.

Thought Crime

To have dissatisfied or anti-party opinions.

EX: Winston's act of inner disapproval, such as writing in his diary or pondering the Party's credibility.

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NON-
TRADITIONAL

Behavior

It is illegal to behave in a manner that is against Party expectations.

EX: Winston and Julia's romantic relationship would be considered unorthodox behavior because it goes against the Party's authority over personal relationships.

