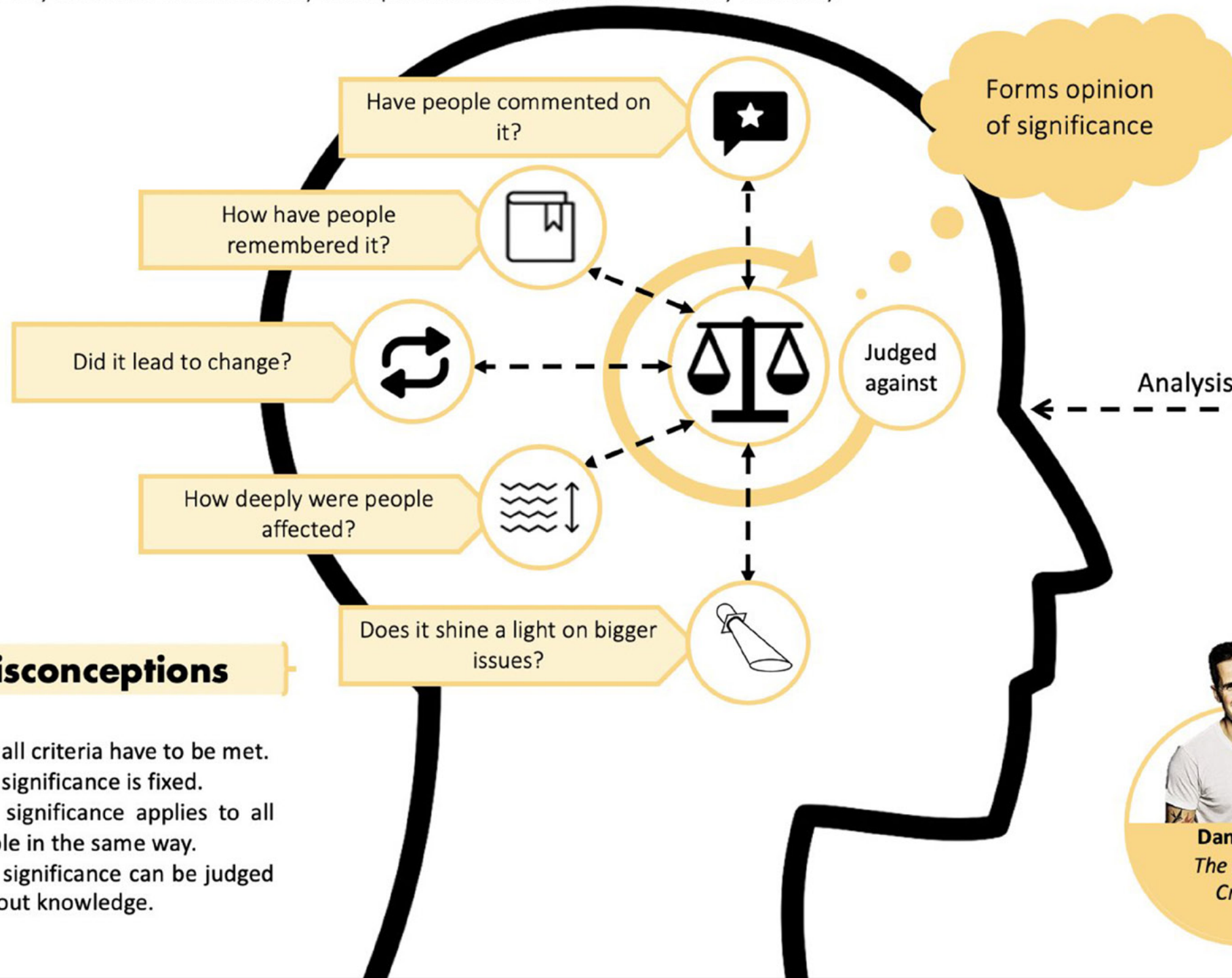


# How Historians Think

## Historical Significance



Explaining the way historians think about key concepts and skills in the academic study of history.



### Definition

A decision that historians make about what is important from our past. In assigning historical significance, they can choose specific events, people, locations and ideas as being particularly important to us.

### Historical

- Change
- Development
- Event
- Issue
- People

**Start**



**Dan Jones**  
*The Hollow Crown*

### Historical Thinking in Action

"In retrospect, the battle of Stoke would take on great significance. For it was the last battle that Henry VII, or any other king of his dynasty, would ever have to fight to save the crown."

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### Misconceptions

- That all criteria have to be met.
- That significance is fixed.
- That significance applies to all people in the same way.
- That significance can be judged without knowledge.

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